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LIST of Persons returned as MEMBERS of the LEGISLATIVE-COUNCIL.

<i>Bergen,</i>	The Honorable	{ John Outwater,	} Esquires.
<i>Effex,</i>		{ John Condit,	
<i>Middlesex,</i>		{ Samuel Randolph,	
<i>Monmouth,</i>		{ Elitha Lawrence, <i>V. P.</i>	
<i>Somerset,</i>		{ Frederick Frelinghuysen,	
<i>Burlington,</i>		{ James Kinsey,	
<i>Gloucester,</i>		{ Joseph Ellis,	
<i>Salem,</i>		{ John Mayhew,	
<i>Cape-May,</i>		{ Jeremiah Eldredge,	
<i>Hunterdon,</i>		{ John Lambert,	
<i>Morris,</i>		{ Ellis Cook,	
<i>Cumberland,</i>		{ Samuel Ogden,	
<i>Suffex,</i>		{ Charles Beardflee,	

LIST of Persons returned as MEMBERS of the GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

		{ Edmund W. Kingfland,	} Esquires.
<i>Bergen,</i>		{ John Haring,	
		{ Henry Berry,	
		{ Elias Dayton,	
<i>Effex,</i>		{ Matthias Williamson,	
		{ Israel Hedden,	
		{ Peter Vredenburgh,	
<i>Middlesex,</i>		{ John Runyan,	
		{ John Combs,	
		{ Joseph Stillwell,	
<i>Monmouth,</i>		{ Thomas Little,	
		{ John Imlay,	
		{ James Linn,	
<i>Somerset,</i>		{ Robert Stockton,	
		{ Peter De Vroom,	
		{ George Anderson,	
<i>Burlington,</i>		{ Joshua M. Wallace,	
		{ Caleb Newbold,	
		{ Joseph Cooper,	
<i>Gloucester,</i>		{ Thomas Clark,	
		{ John Blackwood,	
		{ Samuel Sharp,	
<i>Salem,</i>		{ Bateman Lloyd,	
		{ John Sinnickson,	
		{ Elijah Townsend,	
<i>Cape-May,</i>		{ Richard Townsend,	
		{ Matthew Whilden,	
		{ Thomas Lowrey,	
<i>Hunterdon,</i>		{ Benjamin Van Cleve,	
		{ Aaron D. Woodruff,	
		{ Silas Condict,	
<i>Morris,</i>		{ John Starke,	
		{ Hiram Smith,	
		{ John Burgin,	
<i>Cumberland,</i>		{ Ebenezer Elmer, <i>Speaker,</i>	
		{ Joel Fithian,	
		{ Aaron Hankinson,	
<i>Suffex,</i>		{ William Helmes,	
		{ Volantine Bidleman,	





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Trenton, Tuesday, October 25, 1791.

**T**HIS being the Time and Place appointed by Law for the first Meeting of the sixteenth General Assembly, the following Persons attended, *to wit*; *Elias Dayton*, returned as One of the Representatives of the County of *Essex*; *Peter Vredenburg*, as One of the Representatives of the County of *Middlesex*; *Joseph Stillwell* and *John Imlay*, as Two of the Representatives of the County of *Monmouth*; *James Linn*, *Robert Stockton*, and *Peter D Vroom*, as Representatives of the County of *Somerset*; *Joshua Maddox Wallace*, and *Caleb Newbold*, as Two of the Representatives of the County of *Burlington*; *John Blackwood*, as One of the Representatives of the County of *Gloucester*; *Samuel Sharp*, *Bateman Lloyd*, and *John Sinnickson*, as Representatives of the County of *Salem*; *Elijah Townsend*, as One of the Representatives of the County of *Cape May*; *Thomas Lowrey*, *Benjamin Van Cleve*, and *Aaron D. Woodruff*, as Representatives of the County of *Hunterdon*; *Silas Condict*, *John Starke*, and *Hiram Smith*, as Representatives for the County of *Morris*; *John Burgin*, *Ebenezer Elmer*, and *Joel Fithian*, as Representatives for the County of *Cumberland*; *Aaron Hankinson*, *William Helmes*, and *Voluntine Bidleman*, as Representatives for the County of *Sussex*. The respective Certificates of their Election were read, approved, and ordered to be filed. *Aaron D. Woodruff*, Esquire, was appointed agreeably to the Constitution to qualify *Benjamin Van Cleve*, Esquire, who being duly sworn took his Seat accordingly, and the remaining Persons being returned as Representatives, being Qualified by the said *Benjamin Van Cleve*, took their Seats in the House.

The House proceeded to the Choice of a *Speaker*. when the Honorable *Ebenezer Elmer*, Esquire, was chosen and accordingly placed in the Chair.

The House proceeded to the Election of a Clerk, when *Maske! Ewing* was unanimously chosen.

*Maske! Ewing* attended, and after taking the Oath of Allegiance, and also an Oath for the faithful Discharge of his Office, he took his Seat as Clerk of the House.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Dayton* do wait on the Council and acquaint them that the House of Assembly have this Day proceeded to Business, and have chosen the Honorable *Ebenezer Elmer*, Esquire, their *Speaker*.

*Resolved*, That *David Wrighter* be Door-keeper to the House during the present Sitting.

A Message from the Council was delivered by Mr. *Condit*, informing that a sufficient Number of Members of the Council have this Day met, elected the Honorable *Elisha Lawrence*, Esquire, *Vice President*, and proceeded to Business.

*Ordered*, That Messrs *Woodruff*, *Linn*, and *Vancleave*, be a Committee to bring forward a Draught of Rules and Regulations, for the better Government of the House.

*The House adjourned till To-Morrow Morning Nine o'Clock.*

Wednesday, October 26, 1791.

*The House met.*

*Thomas Clark* returned as One of the Representatives of the County of *Gloucester*; *George Anderson*, as One of the Representatives of the County of *Burlington*; *Israel Hedden* and *Matthias Williamson*, Junior, returned as Two of the Representatives for the County of *Essex*; and *Richard Townsend*, returned as One of the Representatives for the County of *Cape-May*, appeared in the House and produced the respective Certificates of their Election, which were read, approved, and ordered to be filed; whereupon, being duly qualified by the Speaker, they took their Seats in the House, and having rendered an Excuse for their Non-Attendance before this Time,

*Resolved*, That the same is Satisfactory.

Mr. *Woodruff* from the Committee appointed to report a Draught of Rules and Regulations for the better Government of the House, brought in a Report which was read by him in his place, and being afterwards read by Paragraphs, was agreed to, and ordered to be engrossed,

The Speaker laid before the House a Letter from *Abraham Clark*, Esquire, Commissioner appointed on the Part of this State, to settle the Accounts of this State with the United States, which was read and ordered to be filed.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Anderson* do wait upon the Council, and inform them that this House are ready to go into a Joint-Meeting, to appoint a Governor, and other Officers of the State, and do request that Council will appoint the Time and Place of Meeting.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. *Linn*, *Helmes*, and *Woodruff*, be a Committee to examine and correct Bills after a second Reading, and before the Engrossing.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. *D. Vroom*, *Hedden*, *Wallace*, *Blackwood*, *Sharpe*, *Lloyd*, and *Fithian*, or any Three of them, be a Committee to join a Committee of the Council, to settle the Accounts of the Treasurer, and that Mr. *Anderson* do wait on the Council, and request them to appoint a Committee to join the Committee of this House for that Purpose.

*Resolved*



*Resolved*, That the Speaker have Power during the Session to convene the General Assembly whenever any extraordinary Occasion shall, in his Opinion, render it necessary.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. *Lowrey*, *Linn*, and *Hankinson*, be a Committee to examine the Minutes of the last Sitting, and report such Business to the House, as remained unfinished or was referred to this Sitting.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. *Van Cleve*, *Wallace*, and *Condict*, be a Committee to prepare and present a Bill for defraying incidental Charges.

The Petition of *John Hepnor*, late a Soldier in the *Jersey* Line, was read, praying a Compensation for the Depreciation of his Pay, while in the Service, attended with sundry Certificates, were read and ordered a second Reading.

*Ordered*, That Messrs *Clark* and *Condict* be a Committee to examine and report what Laws have expired, or are near expiring.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. *Imlay*, *Burgin*, *Helmes*, *Hankinson*, and *Anderson*, or any Three of them, be a Committee for the present Session, to join a Committee of the Council on such public Accounts as may be referred to them during the Sitting of the Legislature; that the said Committee settle and report all Accounts, for the Payment of which when settled, Provision is already made by Law, and that they deliver all others to the Committee appointed to bring in a Bill for defraying incidental Charges.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Anderson* do wait on the Council and request them to appoint a Committee to join the Committee of this House for the above Purpose.

The Petition of *Peter Quick*, Jun. a Prisoner confined in the Goal of the County of *Sussex*, praying that a Law may be passed to liberate him from Confinement, was read: whereupon, a Petition was presented from his Creditors stating reasons why the Prayer of his Petition should not be granted, and being read, *Ordered* that they be Committed to Messrs. *Condict*, *Williamson*, *E Townsend*, *Stillwell*, and *Sharp*.

The Petition from *Benjamin Jones* and others, Inhabitants of the County of *Burlington*, praying Liberty to throw a Dam across Rancocus Creek, near a place called *Slab-Bridge*, for the Purpose of raising a Head of Water to supply a Grist-Mill, was read and ordered a second Reading.

Sundry Petitions were presented from Prisoners confined in several Goals of the State, praying a Law may pass to Liberate them from Confinement, with sundry Petitions from Creditors of Prisoners, praying for Reasons set forth, that no Law may pass for that Purpose, were read and committed to Messrs. *Condict*, *Williamson*, *E Townsend*, *Stillwell*, and *Sharp*.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. *Williamson*, *Woodruff*, and *Linn*, be a Committee to examine and correct the Minutes.

A Petition from *Jonas Ward* and others praying the Benefit of a Lottery, the better to enable them to Erect a Wire-Mill, and carry on a Card Manufactory, was read, and ordered a second Reading.

*The House adjourned to Three o'Clock P. M.*

*The House met.*

*Edmund W. Kingland*, and *John Haring*, returned as Two of the Representatives of the County of *Bergen*; *Thomas Little*, as One of the Representatives of the County of *Monmouth*; *Joseph Cooper*, as One of the Representatives of the County of *Gloucester*; and *John Runyan*, as One of the Representatives of the County of *Middlesex*, appeared in the House and produced the respective Certificates

ificates of their Election, which were read, approved, and ordered to be filed; whereupon, being duly Qualified by the Speaker, they took their Seats in the House, and having rendered an Excuse for their Non-Attendance before this Time.

*Resolved*, That the same is satisfactory.

The Speaker laid before the House the following Account of Monies cancelled at the Treasury of the State.

Account of Loan Office-Money cancelled at the Treasury of the State of *New-Jersey*, May 26, 27, and 28th. 1791.

Denominations.	120f.	60f.	30f.	15f.	12f.	6f.	3f.	1f.	AMOUNT.		
									L.	S.	D.
Number of Bundles. }	1					376	335	346	180	7	
	2					526	546	483	263	17	
	3					380	308	301	175	5	
	4					326	332	278	161	10	
	5					292	348	335	156	11	
	6					294	335	335	155	4	
	7					265	231	243	126	6	
	8					380	572	500	224	16	
	9					420	291	196	179	9	
	10	26	48	121	308	476	6	2	1000		
	11		2	21	6	88	308	519	120	18	
	12						566	1349	152	7	
	13					312	282	201	145	19	
	14			113		231	228	131	194	16	
	15				206		3	1	124	2	
	16					236	347	316	138	13	
Total.	26	48	123	442	688	4132	5032	5536	3500		

We do hereby Certify, that in Pursuance of the Directions contained in an Act of Assembly, passed the 30th of *November*, 1789, we have counted, inspected, and cancelled, in the Treasury of the State of *New-Jersey*, Sixteen Bundles of the Loan-Office Money of the said State, containing Three Thousand Five Hundred Pounds, agreeably to the above Invoice. Witness, our Hands, May 28th, 1791.

BENJAMIN VANCLEVE,

JAMES EWING.

Account of Revenue Money cancelled in the Treasury of the State of *New-Jersey*, on the 28th Day of *May*, 1791.

Denominations.	120f.	60f.	30f.	15f.	12f.	7f6	5f.	3f9	2f6	AMOUNT.		
										L.	S.	D.
Number of Bundles, and Bills in each Bundle.	1	12	19	38	38	35	45	40	28	35	272	
	2	5	34	81	70	51	58	44	36	25	379	4
	3	8	17	24	38	35	35	25	31	27	213	1
	4	10	28	30	38	28	21	20	14	12	251	6
	5	10	30	40	37	20	35	29	24	44	280	2
	6	7	28	53	30	32	15	12	11	10	259	2
	7	7	26	45	33	31	32	43	42	22	264	4
	8	5	20	16	37	41	33	49	20	29	198	7
	9	12	32	46	60	54	40	26	20	17	341	15
	10	12	26	40	27	15	29	27	29	37	266	18
	11		3	6	9	16	104	182	123	127	157	15
	12	6	20	19	26	10	11	20	12	16	163	7
	13	18	10	24	18	26	32	19	17	17	243	3
	14	1	11	11	28	10	11	13	26	15	96	12
	15			45	36	26		10	1	1	112	18
Total.	113	310	518	525	430	501	559	434	434	3500		



WE do hereby certify, that in Pursuance of the Direction contained in an Act of Assembly, passed the 30th Day of *November*, 1789, we have counted, inspected, and cancelled, in the Treasury of the State of *New-Jersey*, Fifteen Bundles of the Revenue-Money of the said State, containing Three Thousand Five Hundred Pounds, agreeably to the above Invoice. Witness, our Hands, May 28th, 1791.

BENJAMIN VAN CLEVE,  
JAMES EWING.

Account of State-Money, of the Emission of *June* 9th, 1780, cancelled, in the Treasury of the State of *New-Jersey*, *October* 22, 1791.

Denominations.	Dollars 20	Dollars 8	Dollars 7	Dollars 5	Dollars 4	Dollars 3	Dollars 2	Dollar 1	Interest Dolls. 90ths	Amount. £. S. D.		
No. of Bundles 1	12	4	7	2	2	6	3	4		137	12	6
and Amount 2	18	22	9	6	5	9	3	15	153 80	319	1	8
Total	30	26	16	8	7	15	6	19	153 80	456	14	2

Account of State-Money, of the Emission of *January* 9th, 1781, cancelled in the Treasury of the State of *New-Jersey*, *October* 22, 1791.

Denominations.	7s6	5s	4s	3s9	3s6	2s6	1s6	1s	9d	6d	AMOUNT. £. S. D.		
Number of Bills.	21	75	70	80	80	90	98	111	121	125	101	8	9

WE do hereby certify, that in Pursuance of the Directions contained in an Act of Assembly, passed *November* 30th, 1789, we have this Day inspected, counted, and cancelled, in the Treasury of *New-Jersey*, Two Bundles of State-Money, of the Emission of *June* 9th, 1780, containing Four Hundred and Fifty-six Pounds Fourteen Shillings and Two-pence, including Interest; and One Bundle of State-Money, of the Emission of *January* 9th, 1781, containing One Hundred and One Pounds Eight Shillings and Nine-pence. Witness, our Hands, *October* 22, 1791.

BENJAMIN VAN CLEVE,  
JAMES EWING.

Whereupon, *Ordered*, That Messrs. *Dayton*, *Starke*, *Little*, *Hedden*, and *Stockton*, be a Committee to join a Committee of Council to count and burn the cancelled Money in the Treasury, and that Mr. *Blackwood* do wait on the Council, and request them to appoint a Committee to join the Committee of this House for that Purpose.

Mr. *Linn*, from the Committee appointed to bring forward a Report of Business unfinished, reported the following List:

1. A Petition in Favor of *Daniel Freeman's* Creditors.
2. The Petition of the Proprietors of the Stages, running between *Trenton* and *Elizabeth-Town*, and *Paulus-Hook*, through this State.
3. The Treasurer's Information, respecting *John Stephen's* Account.
4. The Bill, intituled, *An Act to extend the Power of Judges of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas*, with the Petitions accompanying the same.
5. The Petition of *Samuel Hayes*.
6. The Petition of Messrs. *Arden* and *Hamilton*, as the Agents of *Archibald Hamilton*.
7. The Bill, intituled, *An Act, to repeal an Act, intituled, An Act to amend an Act for regulating and shortening the Proceedings in the Courts of Law*.
8. The bill, intituled, *An Act for regulating the Practice and Proceedings in the Courts of Law*, with the Memorial of *James Kinsey*, *John Chetwood*, and *Abraham Ogden*.

The foregoing Papers were severally ordered a second Reading at the last Sitting.

9. The Memorial of *John Stevens*, Sen. and the Order of 25th November, in Consequence thereof, for a Hearing on the second *Thursday* of the next Sitting.

10. The Petition of *Jane Stewart*, for a Divorce from her Husband, per Order of November 20, 1790, she is to be heard before the House this Sitting.

11. The Petition of *Levi Silvers*, for a Redress on a Recovery of Lands sold by Commissioners of *Hunterdon* County to him.

12. The Bill intituled, *An Act to enable the Inhabitants of the Town of Salem to maintain their Roads by Hire, and to raise Money for that Purpose*; with sundry Petitions from different Parts of the State, desiring Amendments may be made to the Road Act.

13. The Petition from *John Charlton*, Executor and Co. of *Richard Charlton*.

14. The Petition from *Richard Cox*.

15. The Petition of *David Baird*, for Redress on Recovery of Lands, sold by Commissioners of *Monmouth* to him.

16. The Petition of *Fulkert Dow*, and others.

17. The Petition of *Nicholas Bogart*.

18. The Petition of *William Bond*.

19. The Bill intituled, *A Supplement to an Act, intituled, An Act for the Relief and Support of maimed and disabled Officers, Soldiers, and Seamen, and of the Widows and Children of such as fall in Battle, or otherwise lose their Lives in the military or naval Service*.

20. The Petition from *John Charlton*, and *William Axtell*.

21. The petition of *Jacobus De Kay*.

22. The Report of the Committee appointed on the Petition from *David Thompson*, of the County of *Morris*.

23. The Bill, intituled, *An Act to repeal an Act, intituled, An Act for regulating and shortening the Proceedings in the Courts of Law*.

The foregoing Business and Papers were ordered to be referred to the present Sitting of the Legislature.

24. The Memorial of *Thomas Gardner* lay over without Reading.

The Papers in the foregoing List, marked No. 1, No. 2, and No. 5, were read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Paper, marked No. 4, was read and dismissed.

The Paper, marked No. 11, was read, and committed to Messrs. *Williamson*, *Linn*, and *Fithian*.

The Paper, marked No. 12, was read, and committed to Messrs. *Cooper*, *Linn*, *Stillwell*, *Sharp*, and *Woodruff*.

The Paper, marked No. 14, was read, and dismissed.

Mr. *Randolph* from Council, informed the House, that Council will be ready, to go into a Joint-Meeting on *Saturday* next, at Ten o'Clock in the Forenoon, for the Purpose of appointing a Governor and other Officers of the State, at the Assembly-Room; that Mr. *Ellis* and Mr. *Ogden* is appointed a Committee of Council to join the Committee of the Assembly, for the Purpose of counting and burning the cancelled Money in the Treasury; that Mr. *Randolph* and Mr. *Lambert*, or either of them, are appointed by Council a Committee to join the Committee of this House on public Accounts, and that Mr. *Cook* and Mr. *Condit*, or either



either of them, are appointed a Committee of Council, to join the Committee of this House to settle the Treasurer's Accounts.

*The House adjourned till To-Morrow Morning Nine o'Clock.*

Thursday, October 27, 1791.

*The House met.*

A Petition from *Jacob Fries*, of the County of *Salem*, praying that the Treasurer may be directed to deliver him a Certificate in his Office, made out for him, for the Balance due him from the Estate of *Daniel Stretch*, whose Estate was confiscated to, and vested in, this State, was read.

*Ordered*, That the Petitioner have Leave, to present a Resolution, for the Purpose mentioned in the said Petition.

A Petition from *Abraham Blauvelt*, praying, that he may be appointed to print the Laws and Votes of the present Sitting, was read, and ordered a second Reading.

A Petition from sundry Inhabitants of *Princeton*, praying, that if the Assembly should remove from *Trenton*, that they would remove to that Place, and offering genteel Accommodations to the Members if they will repair to that Place, was read and dismissed.

A Petition from *John Anderson*, and others, praying that a Law may be passed, confirming the Election and Admission of the said *John Anderson*, into the Office of Sheriff of the County of *Hunterdon*, he not having come forward agreeably to Law, to give in Security for the faithful Execution of his Office as Sheriff, was read, and committed to Messrs. *Woodruff*, *Wallace*, *Williamson*, *Anderson*, and *Condit*, to report thereon to the House.

The Petition of *John Hepnor*, and the Petition of *Fulkert Dow*, and others, were read a second Time, and committed to Messrs. *Burgin*, *Dayton*, and *Lloyd*.

A Petition from *Lewis Anderson*, late a Soldier in the Service of this State, praying Compensation for his Services, while in the Service, and while a Prisoner with the Enemy, and also a Compensation for his Loss of Time, was read and ordered a second Reading.

A Petition from *Elnathan Davis*, and others, was presented, and read, praying that a Law may pass to authorize them to make a Bank across *Stow-Creek*, below the Fork, near the Place called *Long's-Landing*, the better to secure the Meadows adjoining said Creek from the Overflow of the Tide; whereupon, a Petition was presented by *Job Butcher*, and others, praying, that the Request contained in the last mentioned Petition may not be granted, which being read,

*Ordered*, That the said Petitions be read a second Time, on *Tuesday*, the 8th Day of *November* next, and that the Parties be then heard before the House.

The Paper in the Report of unfinished Business, marked No. 15, was read, and committed to Messrs. *Williamson*, *Linn*, and *Fithian*.

The Paper, marked No. 17, was read, and committed to Messrs. *Helmes*, *Dayton*, and *Smith*.

The Petition of *William Bond*, marked No. 18, was read, and committed to Messrs. *Hedden*, *Haring*, and *Hankinson*.

The Bill, marked No. 19, was read and ordered a second Reading.

The Petitions marked No. 13, No. 20, and No. 21. were read and Committed to Messrs. *Linn*, *Van Cleve*, *Lloyd*, *D. Vroom*, and *Starke*.

A Petition from *Kenneth Hankinson*, praying that he may have Certificates which he has lost replaced to him, under such Restrictions as may be thought Proper, was read, and ordered a Second Reading.

A Petition from sundry Inhabitants of the County of *Monmouth*, praying that a Law may be passed to prevent the Liberation of Negroes by the Supreme Court, without the Intervention of a Jury of the Country, was read, and ordered a Second Reading.

*The House adjourned to Three o'Clock P. M.*

*The House met.*

A Petition from *Robert Nixon*, and a Petition from *Richard Hanley*, and *George M'Elroy*, for a Redress on a Recovery of Lands sold by Commissioners of Confiscated Estates, were read, and referred to Messrs. *Williamson*, *Linn*, and *Fithian*.

A Petition from the Owners and Possessors of certain Marshes and Meadows in *Lower Penns-Neck*, in the county of *Salem*, praying a Repeal of an Act passed in the Year 1770, enabling the Owners and Possessors of certain Marshes and Meadows in *Lower Penns-Neck*, to drain the same, was read.

*Ordered*, That the Petitioners have Leave to present a Bill on Friday the 10th of *November* next, to answer the Prayer of their Petition, on giving One Week's Notice to the Parties, and advertising the same in Three of the most public Places in the Township of *Lower Penns-Neck*, in the County of *Salem*, One Week previous to the Day in which Leave is given for the Bill to be presented, and a Copy of this Order.

*Henry Berry*, returned as One of the Representatives of the County of *Bergen*, appeared in the House and produced the Certificate of his Election, which was read, approved, and ordered to be filed; whereupon, being duly qualified by the Speaker, he took his Seat in the House, and having rendered an Excuse to the House for his Non-Attendance before this time,

*Resolved*, That the same is satisfactory.

*The House adjourned till To-Morrow Morning, Nine o'Clock.*

Friday, October 28, 1791.

*The House met.*

Mr. *Woodruff*, from the Committee to whom was referred the Petition of *John Anderson*, and others, respecting the Election and Qualification into Office, of the said *John Anderson*, as Sheriff of the County of *Hunterdon*,

*Report*, That in the Opinion of your Committee, the said Petitioners have Leave to bring in a Bill, to confirm the said Election and Qualification of the said *John Anderson*, as Sheriff of the said County of *Hunterdon*, agreeably to the Prayer of the said Petition. By Order of the Committee,

A. D. WOODRUFF.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be read a second Time.

Mr. *Linn*, from the Committee, to whom was referred the Petitions of *John Charlton*, Executor of *Richard Charlton*, deceased; of *John Charlton* and *William Axtell*, Guardians of the Children of the late *Matthew Clarkson*, deceased, and of *Jacobus De Kay*, of the County of *Ulster*, in the State of *New-York*, beg Leave to report,

1. That the Demands made by the said Petitioners against this State, are for  
Sums



Sums of Money due from certain Persons whose Estates have been confiscated to the Use of this State.

2. That the Debts claimed by said Petitioners appear to be due to Inhabitants of the State of *New-York*.

3. That there is a Law of this State, passed the 23d November, 1785, which contains the following Section :

( *Section 3.* ) And whereas it appears, that by the Laws of the State of *New-York*, no Inhabitant of this State having Demands against any Person, whose Estate hath been forfeited in that State, can procure any Payment from, or Dividend of such forfeited Estate, in Consideration whereof, *Be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid*, That the Treasurer of this State shall not, on any Pretence whatsoever, pay, or discharge any Demands, or issue Certificates for any Debts which may have been settled and adjudged, to be due to any of the Inhabitants of the State of *New-York*, from any Person, whose Estate hath been forfeited in this State, unless particularly directed thereto, by a Resolution of both Houses of the Legislature.

4. That from what appears to your Committee, the Reasons assigned in the said Section, still exist, they are therefore of Opinion, that the Prayer of the said Petitions ought not to be complied with. By Order of the Committee,

October 28th, 1791.

JAMES LINN.

The above Report being read,

*Resolved*, That the House agree thereto ; whereupon

*Ordered*, That the said Petitions be dismissed.

A Petition from *Isaac Neale*, praying that he may be employed to print the State-Work, and offering Proposals for the Execution thereof, was read, and ordered a second Reading.

A Petition from the Owners of Lands on the Banks of the *Assanpink*, praying Leave to present a Bill, to direct the Obstructions to be removed out of the free Course of the Waters of the said Creek, and that the Expence thereof shall be borne by the Persons who may be benefited thereby, and who have Lands adjacent thereto, was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Committee to whom was referred Petitions from Persons confined for Debt in the common Goals of several of the Counties of this State, report,

That *Nathaniel Sheppard*, *Gabriel Westland*, *John Craig*, *John Bilderback*, and *Samuel Barber*, confined in the Goal of the County of *Salem*, *John Thorn*, confined in the Goal of the County of *Monmouth*, *Robert Quigley*, *Jedediah Winans*, *William Arnold*, *Isaac Kingsland*, *Melyn Miller*, *Thomas Loyal*, *Enos Dod*, and *John Crane*, confined in the Goal of the County of *Essex*, *David Henry*, confined in the Goal of the County of *Gloucester*, *John Reading*, confined in the Goal of the County of *Hunterdon*, and *John Keen*, confined in the Goal of the County of *Cumberland*, are in the Opinion of your Committee Persons who ought to be released from their Confinement, under proper Restrictions, and that a Law should be passed for that Purpose.

By Order of the Committee,

SILAS CONDUCT.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be read a second Time.

A Petition from *Silvester Marias*, praying Compensation for his Services in the Militia, and for his Loss of Time, while confined with a Wound he received, was read, and committed to Messrs. *Helmes*, *Dayton* and *Smith*.

A Petition from *William Griffiths*, soliciting Permission to compile and publish such of the State-Laws, as have been enacted since the 24th December, 1783, was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Bills in the unfinished Business, marked No 7, No. 8. and No. 23, with the Papers accompanying the same, were read, and committed to Messrs. *Sharp, Williamson, Cooper, Condict, Woodruff, Fithian, and Haring.*

*The House adjourned to Three o'Clock, P. M.*

*The House met.*

A Memorial from *Elijah Allen*, and *Thomas Allen*, stating a Demand they have against the confiscated Estate of *Joseph Barton*, and praying that the Demand may be discharged from the Monies of his Estate in the Treasury, was read, and ordered a second Reading.

A Memorial from *Thomas M. Gardiner*, was read, praying a Repeal of the Proviso to the Fee-Bill, so far as respects Coroners, was read and committed to Messrs. *Condict, D. Vroom, and Wallace.*

The Petition from *Benjamin Jones*, read on the 26th Instant, was read a second Time; whereupon

*Ordered*, That the Petitioner have Leave to present a Bill, agreeably to the Prayer of his Petition, he giving previous Notice of his Intention, by publishing the same with a Copy of this Order, at least Three Weeks in the *Burlington Advertiser*.

*The House adjourned till To-Morrow Morning Nine o'Clock.*

Saturday, October 29, 1791.

*The House met.*

Mr. *Hankinson*, agreeably to Leave given, and in Behalf of the Petitioner, presented the Draught of a Bill, intituled, *An Act to direct a Sum of Money to be levied and collected from the Township of Hardwick, in the County of Sussex*, which was read; whereupon a Petition was presented from the Township of *Hardwick*, desiring that the same may not pass without their having an Opportunity to be heard in Opposition thereto.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill and Petition be read a second Time.

The Petition of *Jonas Ward*, and others, praying the Benefit of a Lottery, was read a second Time, and committed to Messrs. *Condict, Linn, Van Cleve, Wallace, and Stillwell.*

The Speaker laid before the House a Letter from *Isaac Collins*, expressing a Wish to be employed to print the Laws and Proceedings of the Legislature for the current Sitting; which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

A Petition from the Borough of *Elizabeth*, praying to be allowed by Law to raise Money by a Lottery, to enable them to build a Court-House and Gaol, for the Use of the said Borough, was read, and ordered a second Reading.

A Petition from sundry Inhabitants of the County of *Bergen*, praying Leave to present a Bill, to enable the Owners and Possessors of the Meadows and Marshes, lying on and adjoining *Peik of English Creek*, to erect a Dam across the same, to stop out the Tide, the better to improve the Meadows adjoining thereon, was read; and a Petition was presented, praying that the Desire contained in the said Petition may not be granted, was also read, and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. *Linn*, from the Committee to whom was referred the several Petitions of *David Baird*, of the County of *Monmouth*, *Robert Nixon*, of the County of *Middlesex*, *Richard Handley*, and *George M'Elroy*, of the same County, and of *Levi Silvers*, stating, that they had purchased certain real Property, from the Agents of forfeited Estates in *New-Jersey*, and paid them for the same; and  
that



that the said real Property had been recovered from the said Petitioners by Law, by certain Persons claiming the same, and therefore the said Petitioners pray the Legislature of this State, to make them a Compensation for their Loss.

Upon which your Committee beg Leave to report,

1. That the Agents for forfeited Estates were only authorized by Law, to sell the Right of the Fugitives, vested in the State, by the Act of Confiscation; and not to warrant the Title of such Lands, against all Persons whatsoever.

2. As this was the Condition of Sale under which the said Petitioners made their several Purchases, they can have no Claims on the Justice of this State to make up their Loss; wherefore, the Committee are of Opinion, that the said Petitions ought to be dismissed. By Order of the Committee,

JAMES LINN.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be read a second Time.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Newbold have Leave of Absence until *Thursday* next.

The Members withdrew to attend a Joint-Meeting, and being returned, the Speaker resumed the Chair, and then

*The House adjourned till Monday Morning, Ten o'Clock,*

Monday, October 31, 1791.

*The House met.*

Mr. Burgin, from the Committee to whom the Petition of *John Hepnor* was referred, reported as follows:

That in the Opinion of your Committee the Prayer of his Petition ought to be granted, and therefore recommend the following Resolution:

That the Treasurer be directed to issue unto *John Hepnor*, a Note for the Depreciation of his Pay, while a Soldier in the *Jersey* Line.

JOHN BURGIN.

*Ordered*, That the same be read a second Time.

Mr. Clark, with Leave, presented the Draught of a Bill, intituled, *An Act to prevent the public Records being removed by Writs of Subpœna*, which was ordered a second Reading.

A Petition from the Minister, Elders, and Deacons of the *Reformed* Congregation of *Hackinsack*, and *Schralenberg*, in the County of *Bergen*, was read, praying the Benefit of a Lottery, to aid their Finances, the better to enable them to repair and complete their public Buildings, was read, and ordered a second Reading.

A Petition from *John Ettwein*, one of the Bishops of the Church, called *Unitas Fratrum*, or *United Brethren*, and President of the Society of the *United Brethren* for propagating the Gospel among the Heathen, praying Leave to present a Bill, to incorporate the Society for promoting the Gospel among the Heathen, formed by Members of the *Episcopal* Church of the *United Brethren*, or *Unitas Fratrum*, was read, and Leave given to present a Bill for that Purpose; whereupon,

The Speaker laid before the House a Bill, intituled, *An Act to incorporate the Society for propagating the Gospel among the Heathen, formed by Members of the Episcopal Church of the United Brethren, or Unitas Fratrum*; which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Petition from *William Griffiths*, read on the 28th Instant, was read a second Time, and committed to Messrs. *Woodruff*, *Haring*, *Helmes*, *Linn*, and *Williamson*.

*Ordered*

*Ordered*, That Messrs. *Clark*, *Van Cleve*, and *Condict*, be appointed a Committee, to prepare and present a Bill for the Support of Government.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. *Little*, *Burgin*, and *Cooper*, be a Committee to prepare and present a Bill, to raise Money for the Support of Government, and other Exigencies of the State.

The Petition from the Borough of *Elizabeth*, praying to be allowed by Law to raise Money by Lottery, to enable them to build a Court-House and Goal, for the Use of said Borough, was read a second Time.

*Ordered*, That the Petitioners have Leave to present a Bill, agreeably to the Prayer of their Petition.

*The House adjourned to Three o'Clock, P. M.*

*The House met.*

Agreeably to Leave given, the following Resolution was presented, *to wit* :

*Resolved*, That the Treasurer be directed to deliver unto *Jacob Fries* a certain Note, or Certificate, in his Hands, drawn in Favor of *Jacob Fries*, for Monies due him from the Estate of *Daniel Stretch*, although the Bond given by the said *Daniel Stretch* to the said *Jacob Fries*, be not delivered up to the said Treasurer, on sufficient Security being given to the Treasurer, in a Sum double the Amount of the said Note, conditioned,

That if the Bond shall ever be found, that the same should be deposited in the Treasury of the State, and that it shall not be proceeded on, to recover the Money against the original Obligor.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Burgin* do carry the said Resolution to the Council for Concurrence.

Mr. *Condict*, from the Committee to whom was referred the Petition of *Jonas Ward*, *Thomas Osburn*, and *Abraham Frost*, reported,

That it is the Opinion of the Committee, that the Petitioners ought to have Leave, to present a Bill, agreeably to the Prayer of the said Petition.

By Order of the Committee,

SILAS CONDUCT.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be read a second Time.

Mr. *Dayton*, from the Committee, appointed to join a Committee of Council, to count and burn the cancelled Money in the Treasury, brought in the following Report :

Account of Revenue-Money, emitted by a Law, passed *December 20, 1783*, cancelled in the Treasury of the State of *New-Jersey*, on the *28th Day of May, 1791*, by *Benjamin Van Cleve*, and *James Ewing*, Esquires, agreeably to a Law, passed *November 30th, 1789*.

Denominations.



Denominations.	120f.	60f.	30f.	15f.	12f.	7f6	5f.	3f9	2f6	AMOUNT.		
										L.	S.	D.
Number of Bundles, and Bills in each Bun- dle.	1	12	19	30	38	35	45	40	28	35	272	
	2	5	34	81	70	51	58	44	36	25	379	4 6
	3	8	17	24	38	35	35	25	31	27	213	1 3
	4	10	28	30	38	28	21	20	14	12	251	6
	5	10	30	40	37	20	35	29	24	44	280	2 6
	6	7	28	53	30	32	15	12	11	10	259	2 9
	7	7	26	45	33	31	32	43	42	22	264	4 6
	8	5	20	16	37	41	33	49	20	29	198	7
	9	12	32	46	60	54	40	26	20	17	341	5 6
	10	12	26	40	27	15	29	27	29	37	266	18 9
	11		3	6	9	16	104	182	123	127	157	15 9
	12	6	20	19	26	10	11	20	12	16	163	7 6
	13	18	10	24	18	26	32	19	17	17	243	3 3
	14	1	11	11	28	10	11	13	26	15	96	12 6
	15			45	36	26		10	1	1	112	18 3
Total.	113	310	518	525	430	501	559	434	434	3500		

Account of Loan-Office Money, cancelled at the Treasury of the State of *New Jersey*, on the 26th, 27th, and 28th Days of *May*, 1791, by *Benjamin Van Cleve*, and *James Ewing*, Esquires, agreeably to a Law, passed *November* 30th, 1789.

Denominations.	120f.	60f.	30f.	15f.	12f.	6f.	3f.	1f.	AMOUNT.		
									L.	S.	D.
Number of Bundles.	1					376	335	346	180	7	
	2					526	546	483	263	17	
	3					380	308	301	175	5	
	4					326	332	278	161	10	
	5					292	348	335	156	11	
	6					294	335	335	155	4	
	7					265	231	243	126	6	
	8					380	572	500	224	16	
	9					420	291	196	179	9	
	10	26	48	121	308	476	6	2	1000		
	11			2	21	6	88	308	519	120	18
	12						566	1349	152	7	
	13					312	282	201	145	19	
	14			113		231	228	131	194	16	
	15				206		3	1	124	2	
	16					236	347	316	138	13	
Total.	26	48	123	442	688	4132	5032	5536	3500		

Account of Loan-Office Money, paid into the Treasury of *New-Jersey*, by the Commissioners of the *New Loan Offices*, in the several Counties, on Account of Principal of Money loaned, cancelled by their respective Boards of Justices and Freholders, agreeably to a Law, passed *November* 24th, 1788.

Counties.

Counties.									AMOUNT.		
	120f	60f	30f	15f	12f	6f	3f	1f	£.	s.	D.
Hergen,	18	37	96	189	236	309	209	381	789	9	0
Essex,	1	6	16	40	76	60	42	62	151	0	0
Middlesex,	0	0	15	40	100	50	90	270	154	10	0
Monmouth,	0	1	5	3	100	175	312	222	183	3	0
Somerset,	10	16	32	28	50	35	39	103	228	10	0
Burlington,	3	16	55	79	107	115	157	220	341	0	0
Gloucester,	15	22	11	22	43	68	29	51	242	2	0
Salem,	2	2	7	3	57	57	43	22	89	12	0
Cape-May,	0	0	5	11	0	5	0	55	20	0	0
Hunterdon,	30	43	70	143	171	305	230	485	774	2	0
Morris,	6	12	25	40	41	35	139	233	207	2	0
Cumberland,	3	3	6	16	62	46	31	23	104	16	0
Suffex.	6	13	28	59	110	86	120	134	277	15	0
Total.	94	171	371	673	1153	1346	1441	2261	3563	1	0

Account of State-Money, of the Emission of *June 9th*, 1780, cancelled in the Treasury of *New-Jersey*, on the 22d Day of *October*, 1791, by *Benjamin Van Cleve*, and *James Ewing*, Esquires, agreeably to a Law, passed *November 30th*, 1789.

Denominations.	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollar	Interest Dolls. 90ths.	Amount.		
	20	8	7	5	4	3	2	1		£.	s.	D.
No. of bundles 1	12	4	7	2	2	6	3	4		137	12	6
and Amount. 2	18	22	9	6	5	9	3	15	153 80	319	1	6
Total	30	26	16	8	7	15	6	19	153 80	456	14	2

Account of State-Money, of the Emission of *January 9th*, 1781, cancelled in the Treasury of *New-Jersey*, on the 22d Day of *October*, 1791, by *Benjamin Van Cleve*, and *James Ewing*, Esquires, agreeably to a Law, passed *November 30th*, 1789.

Denominations.	7s6	5s	4s	3s9	3s6	2s6	1s6	1s	9d	6d	AMOUNT.		
											£.	s.	D.
Number of Bills.	21	75	70	80	80	90	98	111	121	125	101	8	9

WE, the Committees of both Houses, do hereby certify, That *James Mott*, Esquire, Treasurer, has delivered to us, the Sum of Three Thousand Five Hundred Pounds, Revenue-Money, cancelled at the Treasury, by *Benjamin Van Cleve*, and *James Ewing*, Esquires, on the 28th Day of *May*, 1791, and the Sum of Three Thousand Five Hundred Pounds, Loan-Office Money, cancelled by ditto, on the 26th, 27th, and 28th Days of *May*, 1791, also the Sum of Three Thousand, Five Hundred and Sixty-three Pounds One Shilling, Loan-Office Money, cancelled in the several Counties, by their respective Boards of Justices, and Freeholders; also the Sum of Four Hundred and Fifty-six Pounds Fourteen Shillings and Two-pence, State-Money, including Interest, of the Emission of *June 9th*, 1780, and the Sum of One Hundred and One Pounds Eight Shillings and Nine-pence, State-money, of the Emission of *January 9th*, 1781, cancelled also by *Benjamin Van Cleve*, and *James Ewing*, Esquires, on the 22d Day of *October*, 1791, agreeably to the foregoing Statements, which we have examined, counted, and burned. By Order of the Committee,

*October 29th*, 1791.

JOSEPH ELLIS,  
ELIAS DAYTON.

The Committee, to whom was referred the Petition of *Thomas M. Gardner*, report,

That in the Opinion of your Committee, a Law ought to be passed, for repealing so much of the first Section of the Law, that establishes the Coroners Fees, as prohibits Fees being taken, or allowed, on the View of a dead Body drowned



drowned, or otherwise dead by Misadventure, and that shall provide for the Payment of the legal Fees, in Cases where the Decedent hath, or had not, Property sufficient, to discharge the same, and to provide for the Payment of Jurors, serving on Coroners Inquests. By Order of the Committee,

SILAS CONDUCT.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. *Linn*, *Condict*, and *Stillwell*, be a Committee to bring in a Bill, conformable to the said Report.

A Petition from *Anthony Brodereck*, stating a Demand against the State, was read, and referred to the Treasurer, to make a Report thereon.

The Bill, intituled, *An Act to incorporate the Society for propagating the Gospel among the Heathen, formed by Members of the Episcopal Church of the United Brethren, or Unitas Fratrum*; was read a second Time, debated, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Petition from *Knowlton*, in the County of *Suffex*, praying that Persons may be appointed by Law, to investigate what Sums have been collected from the said Township, towards the Discharge of State Taxes, and in whose Hands the same remain, with Power to prosecute and recover the same, was read, and ordered a second Reading.

*The House adjourned till To-Morrow Morning, Nine o'Clock.*

Tuesday, November 1, 1791.

*The House met.*

*Matthew Willden*, Esquire, returned as One of the Representatives of the County of *Cape-May*, appeared in the House, and produced the Certificate of his Election, which was read, approved, and ordered to be filed; whereupon, being duly qualified by the Speaker, he took his Seat in the House, and having rendered an Excuse for his Non-Attendance before this Time,

*Resolved*, That the same is satisfactory.

*Mr. Clark*, from the Committee appointed to examine what Laws have expired, or are near expiring, reported,

That they have examined the Laws of this State, and do not find that there is any Law expired, or that will expire this Sitting. By Order of the Committee,

THOMAS CLARK.

To which the House agreed.

*Mr. Clark*, from the Committee appointed for that Purpose, reported the Draught of a Bill, intituled, *An Act for the Support of the Government of the State of New-Jersey*; which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

*Mr. Woodruff*, agreeably to Leave given, presented the Draught of a Bill, intituled, *An Act to ratify and confirm the Election of Sheriffs, in certain Counties of this State*; which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

*Mr. Williamson*, agreeably to Leave given, and in Behalf of the Petitioners, presented the Draught of a Bill, intituled, *An Act to enable the Inhabitants of Elizabeth-Town to rebuild their Court-House, and Gaol, and to complete their Academy, which were destroyed by Fire*; which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

A Petition from the Administrators of *Abraham Montfore*, deceased, of *Reading-Town*, in the County of *Hunterdon*, praying that a Law may be passed, to empower the Administrators to make Sale of and convey the real Estate of the Deceased, the better to enable them to pay such of the Heirs, as are of Age, their Dividends,

Dividends, according to Law, and to put to Interest the remaining Part, for the Benefit of the younger Children, was read, and committed to Messrs. *Woodruff*, *Linn*, and *Runyan*.

A Memorial from *Elias Boudinot*, and others, in Behalf of themselves, and others, Subscribers, proposing to establish a Manufactory in *New-Jersey*, was read, praying, that the Legislature would permit them to bring forward a Bill, to incorporate, under certain Limitations, and with certain Privileges, the Subscribers, who propose to establish a Manufactory in *New-Jersey*.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition, and the Papers accompanying the same, be referred to Messrs. *Lowrey*, *Woodruff*, *Williamson*, *Dayton*, *Wallace*, *Condit*, and *Linn*, to consider the Propriety of permitting a Bill to be presented on the Principles, and agreeably to the Prayer of the said Petition; and that Mr. *Clark* do wait on the Council, and request them to appoint a Committee, to join the Committee of this House on that Business.

Mr. *Burgin*, from the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Susanna Bowlsbey*, late Widow of *John Martin*, was referred, reported,

That in their Opinion the Prayer of her Petition ought to be granted, and that she is intitled to seven Years Half-Pay, of her late Husband.

By Order of the Committee,

JOHN BURGIN.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be read a second Time.

A Petition from a Number of Inhabitants of the County of *Effex*, praying that *Melyn Miller*, who is confined in the Gaol of the said County, may have the Benefit of an Act of Insolvency to release his Person from Confinement, was read, and ordered to be filed.

A Petition from Colonel *Samuel Potter*, stating a Demand against the State, and desiring Payment, was read, and committed to Messrs. *D. Vroom*, *Burgin*, and *Little*, to examine his Claim, and report thereon.

A Petition from *Thomas White*, a Prisoner, confined in the Gaol of the County of *Monmouth*, praying the Benefit of an Act of Insolvency, was read, and ordered a second Reading, with the Report of Mr. *Condit*.

The Speaker laid before the House a Report from the Treasurer, and Auditor on the Subject of the Accounts of *John Stevens*, Esquire, late Treasurer, with the State of *New-Jersey*; which was read, and ordered to be filed.

The Report of Mr. *Condit*, on the Petitions from Prisoners confined in Gaols, &c. was read a second Time, with the Petition of *Thomas White*, and committed to Messrs. *Condit*, *Linn*, and *Williamson*, to bring in a Bill for the Liberation of those Persons, at present in Confinement.

The engrossed Bill, intituled, *An Act to incorporate the Society for propagating the Gospel among the Heathen, formed by Members of the Episcopal Church of the United Brethren, or Unitas Fratrum*, was read and compared.

*Resolved*, That the same do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Clark* do carry the said Bill to Council for Concurrence.

The Petition from *Knowlton*, in the County of *Suffex*, read yesterday, was read a second Time, and referred to Messrs. *Sharp*, *Hankinson*, and *Condit*, to report thereon.

*The House adjourned to Three o'Clock, P. M.*

*The*



*The House met.*

A Message from his Excellency, the Governor, was delivered by the Secretary, in the following Words :

*Trenton, November 1, 1791.*

*Gentlemen of the General Assembly,*

AFTER the Adjournment of the Legislature last Fall, I received from the Speakers of the two Houses of the General Assembly of *Virginia*, certain Resolutions, respecting the Rights of the Citizens of the United States, to hear the Debates of the Federal Senate, when acting in their Legislative Capacity ; and also sundry Resolutions, passed by the Legislature of *North-Carolina*, as Instructions to the Senators of that State, in Congress, Copies of the said Resolutions, and of the Letters which accompanied them, I have directed to be laid before you ; I have also directed the Secretary to lay before you, the Copy of a Letter, which I have lately received, from his Excellency, *Thomas Mifflin*, Governor of the State of *Pennsylvania*, respecting the Navigation of the River *Delaware*, the Object which this Letter contemplates, is in a Variety of Views, of so much moment, as to induce me to submit it to your Consideration ; the Originals of the above Resolutions and Letters will be deposited in the Secretary's Office.

The Secretary is directed to lay before you, a Collection of the Acts, passed at the Third Session of the Congress of the United States of *America*, and a Copy of the Journal of the Proceedings of the House of Representatives, during the same Session.

WILLIAM PATERSON.

Whereupon, *Ordered*. That the said Message, and the Papers accompanying the same, be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

The Speaker laid before the House a Letter from the Treasurer, accompanying his Report, on the Petition of *Anthony Brodereck* ; which was read, and ordered to be filed. Whereupon.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Brodereck's* Petition be dismissed.

A Petition from sundry Inhabitants of the Counties of *Essex*, *Bergen*, and *Morris*, praying, that the Act, passed last Sitting, in Favor of the Children of *Robert Drummond*, may be re-considered, and explained, was read, and ordered a second Reading.

Four several Petitions from *James Parker*, and others, who petitioned the Legislature at their last Meeting, for a Law to build a Toll-Bridge over *Raritan* River, above *Albany-street*, at the City of *New-Brunswick*, praying Liberty to lay Information before the Legislature, respecting what has passed, relative to the Building the Bridge proposed, were read, and ordered a second Reading.

A Petition from *Stacy Biddle*, of the County of *Burlington*, praying Leave to present a Bill, to enable him to erect a Dam, and other Water-Works, across the North-Branch of *Rancocus* Creek, a small Distance above the Place called *Slab-Bridge*, where *Egg-Harbour* Road crosses said Branch ; with a Petition from a Number of Inhabitants of the County of *Burlington*, praying that the said *Stacy Biddle* may be permitted to erect the Dam proposed ; and it appearing to the House, by Advertisements accompanying the said Petition, that due Notice has been given, that a Bill was to be presented this Day to answer the Prayer of the said Petition. Whereupon,

*Ordered*, That the Petitioner have Leave to present a Bill, to answer the Prayer of his Petition.

Mr. *Outwater*, from the Council, informed the House, that Council had appointed Messrs. *Kinscy*, *Cook*, and *Outwater*, to join the Committee of the House

of Assembly, for the Purposes mentioned in the Message from this House to the Council of this Morning, on the Petition of *Elias Boudinot*.

Mr. *Helmes*, from the Committee to whom was referred the Petitions of *Elizabeth Wordun*, *Phæbe Leonard*, *Silvester Marias*, and *Nicholas Bogart*, brought in a Report, which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

*The House adjourned till To-Morrow Morning Nine o'Clock.*

Wednesday, November 2, 1791.

*The House met.*

Mr. *Sharp*, from the Committee to whom was referred, the Papers marked 7, 8, and 23. of the unfinished Business of the last Sitting, and the Papers accompanying the same, reported, for the Consideration of the House, a Bill, intituled, *An Act for regulating the Practice and Proceedings in the Courts of Law*, as containing the Substance of the several Papers referred, the Committee not having formed an Opinion, with Respect to the Propriety of the same being passed into a Law.

By Order of the Committee,

SAMUEL SHARP.

Whereupon, the said Bill being read, a Question was taken, whether the said Bill be read a second Time, and it was carried in the Negative, as follows :

Nays.	Nays.	Yeas.
Mr. <i>Berry</i> ,	Mr. <i>Williamson</i> ,	Mr. <i>Anderson</i> ,
Mr. <i>Biddleman</i> ,	Mr. <i>Woodruff</i> .	Mr. <i>Combs</i> ,
Mr. <i>Blackwood</i> ,		Mr. <i>Condict</i> ,
Mr. <i>Burgin</i> ,		Mr. <i>Cooper</i> ,
Mr. <i>Clark</i> ,		Mr. <i>Hankinson</i> ,
Mr. <i>Dayton</i> ,		Mr. <i>Haring</i> ,
Mr. <i>D. Vroom</i> ,		Mr. <i>Little</i> ,
Mr. <i>Fithian</i> ,		Mr. <i>Lowrey</i> ,
Mr. <i>Hedden</i> ,		Mr. <i>Lloyd</i> ,
Mr. <i>Helmes</i> ,		Mr. <i>Runyan</i> ,
Mr. <i>Imlay</i> ,		Mr. <i>Sharp</i> ,
Mr. <i>Kingsland</i> ,		Mr. <i>Smith</i> ,
Mr. <i>Linn</i> ,		Mr. <i>Starke</i> ,
Mr. <i>Sinnickson</i> ,		Mr. <i>Stillwell</i> ,
Mr. <i>Stockton</i> ,		Mr. <i>E. Townsend</i> ,
Mr. <i>Van Cleve</i> ,		Mr. <i>R. Townsend</i> ,
Mr. <i>Whillden</i> ,		Mr. <i>Wallace</i> .

Whereupon, Ordered, That the said Bill be dismissed.

Mr. *Cooper*, agreeably to Leave given, presented the Draught of a Bill, intituled, *An Act to authorize Stacy Biddle of the County of Burlington, his Heirs and Assigns, to erect and maintain a Dam for the Purpose of accommodating Mills, across the North Branch of Rancocus, above a Place called Slab-Bridge*, which was read and ordered a second Reading.

The Bill intituled *An Act to ratify and confirm the Election of Sheriffs in certain Counties of this State*, was read a second Time, debated, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Petition from the Owners of Lands on both Sides of *South-River*, in the County of *Middlesex*, praying that a Law may be passed, declaring *South-River* a legal Fence, as far up the same as the Fork where the *Matehappenax* and *Penolopy* joins, was read and ordered a second Reading.



A Petition from the Members of the *Episcopal Church* in the Town of *Piscataway*, was read, praying that a Law may be passed, to authorize them to raise Two Hundred Pounds, by a Lottery, the better to enable them to repair their Church, which has been injured during the War, was read, and ordered a second Reading.

A Petition from *Reuben Fitz-Randolph*, late a Captain on the Frontiers, in the Service of the United States, was read, praying Compensation for Wine by him furnished his Troops, while in the Service, and committed to Messrs. *Woodruff*, *Imlay*, and *Blackwood*.

The Petition of *Lewis Anderson*, was read a second Time; and a Petition from *Elisba Jewell*, stating a Demand against the State, and praying Payment, was read, and committed to the last mentioned Committee.

A Petition from *John Perrine*, Senior, of the County of *Monmouth*, whose Estate has been confiscated to, and vested in, this State, praying that he may by Law be authorized, to recover Part of his Property, which has not been taken for the Use of the State, from Persons in whose Possession it is, was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Report from *Samuel Wykoff*, of the County of *Monmouth*, praying to be re-imburled from the State, certain Expences which he has been put to, in Consequence of a Purchase of real Property from the State, was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Report of Mr. *Burgin*, of the 31st ult. and the Report of Mr. *Helmes*, of Yesterday, with the Papers accompanying the same, were read a second Time, and committed to Messrs. *Woodruff*, *Imlay*, and *Blackwood*, to examine the Claims therein set forth, and that they examine and enquire, whether if this State should at this Time discharge to the Applicants their Claims, the State can have Credit with the United States, for the Amount.

The Bill, intituled, *An Act to enable the Inhabitants of Elizabeth-Town to rebuild their Court-House, and Gaol, and to complete their Academy, which were destroyed by Fire*; was read a second Time, debated, and ordered to be engrossed.

The Report in Favor of *David Thompson*, which was postponed at the last Sitting, was read, and referred to Messrs. *Woodruff*, *Imlay*, and *Blackwood*, to report thereon.

*The House adjourned till To-Morrow Morning, Nine o'Clock.*

Thursday, November 3, 1791.

*The House met.*

A Petition from *Abraham Bevier*, Esq. of *Ulster County*, in the State of *New-York*, was read, praying that the Treasurer may be directed to deliver him a Certificate in his Hands, for Monies due *Daniel Bevier*, over whom he is Trustee, for the Amount of his Demand against the Estate of *Solomon Cortwright*, was read, and ordered to be dismissed.

The engrossed Bill, intituled, *An Act to ratify and confirm the Election of Sheriffs in certain Counties of this State*, was read, and compared.

*Resolved*, That the same do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the same.

The engrossed Bill, intituled, *An Act to enable the Inhabitants of Elizabeth-Town to rebuild their Court-House and Goal, and to complete their Academy, which were destroyed by Fire*, was read and compared.

*Resolved*

*Resolved*, That the same do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr *Combs* do carry the said Bill to Council for Concurrence.

A Memorial from *Edward Thomas*, Guardian and Attorney of the Children of *Robert Drummond*, deceased, setting forth, that by sundry Petitions, which have been laid before the House, Facts have been misrepresented, and praying that the Petitions before the House may be dismissed, or that he may have Leave to attend the House to shew that Facts have been misrepresented, was read, and ordered a second Reading, with the Petitions referred to.

A Petition from *Morris County*, praying that a Law may be passed to regulate Weights and Measures, was read, and ordered to be filed.

The Petition of *Elijah Allen*, read on the 28th ult. was read a second Time, and committed to Messrs, *Linn*, *Cooper*, and *Sharp*.

The Order of the Day, on the Petition of *John Stevens*, Esquire, of the last Sitting, being called for,

On Motion,

*Ordered*, That the Order of the Day, for the Hearing of *John Stevens*, Jun. late Treasurer, respecting the Settlement of his Accounts, be postponed until *Thursday* next.

The Speaker laid before the House, a Letter from *John Stevens*, Jun. Esq. which was read, and ordered to be filed.

The Petition read on the 27th ult. respecting the Supreme Court's liberating Slaves, &c. was read, and committed to Messrs. *Haring*, *Sharp*, and *Linn*, to bring in a Bill, to answer the Prayer of the Petitioners.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Helmes*, and Mr. *Williamson*, have Leave of Absence, until *Tuesday* next.

Mr. *Newbold* returned, and took his Seat in the House.

*The House adjourned till To-Morrow Morning, Nine o'Clock.*

Friday, November 4, 1791.

*The House met.*

Mr. *D. Vroom*, from the Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Colonel *Samuel Potter*, beg Leave to report, that they have examined the Papers and Vouchers produced by the said Colonel *Potter*, and also the Law of this State, for hiring Substitutes, passed *September 23. 1777*, and that the following appears to them to be a State of Facts :

1. That the said Colonel *Potter*, in Pursuance of the said Law, hired a Number of Substitutes for the Delinquents in his Regiment, in the Year 1777, and paid them the Sum of 3600 Dollars.

2. That the said Colonel *Potter*, in further Pursuance of said Law, obtained a Warrant of Distrels, under the Hands and Seals of *Amos Potter*, and *James Campbell*, two of the Justices of the Peace, of the County of *Essex*, against the said Delinquents, to the Amount of 5060 Dollars, exclusive of the Costs, and put the same into the Hands of a Constable of said County.

3. That the said Colonel *Potter* received from the said Constable, the Sum of 1868 Dollars, in Part of the Sum, due to him for hiring Substitutes ; that there remains still unpaid on said Warrant, the Sum of 3192 Dollars, and due to Colonel *Potter* 1732 Dollars.

4. That



4. That had the whole Money then collected on the Distress-Warrant, there would have been a Surplus of 1465 Dollars, which would have been paid into the Treasury.

Your Committee are further of Opinion, that the Money due Colonel *Potter* ought to be collected from the Delinquents, against whom the Distress-Warrant was issued. By Order of the Committee,

PETER D. VROOM.

Whereupon, The Speaker laid before the House a Letter from the said *Samuel Potter*, praying on the Subject of the said Report he may be heard by Council.

*Ordered*, That the said Report and Letter be read a second Time.

Whereas, by Virtue of a Resolution, of the Legislature, passed the 8th of *September*, 1788, *Anthony Brodereck* did, on the 26th of *March*, 1789, deposit in the Treasury of this State, Notes issued by *Benjamin Thompson*, Commissioner, to the Amount of One Thousand Pounds, for which there was advanced to him the Sum of One Thousand Pounds in Money, and as it is necessary, that the said Sum so advanced should be repaid into the Treasury ; therefore,

*Resolved*, That the Treasurer do give Notice within five Weeks, to the said *Anthony Brodereck*, that if he does not redeem the said Certificates, so deposited in the Treasury, on or before the first Day of *June* next, by paying the Principal and Interest of the Money advanced to him, for said Certificates, that the State will then consider them as the Property of the State, and that the Treasurer is directed to sell them for the Use of the State.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Condit* do carry the said Resolution to the Council for Concurrence.

Mr. *Kinsley*, from Council, informed the House, that Council disagree to a Resolution, relative to directing the Treasurer to deliver unto *Jacob Fries*, a certain Note in his Hands, drawn in Favor of *Jacob Fries*, for Monies due him from the Estate of *Daniel Stretch*, &c.

Mr. *Kinsley* also delivered the Bill, intituled, *An Act to incorporate the Society for propagating the Gospel among the Heathen, formed by Members of the Episcopal Church of the United Brethren, or Unitas Fratrum*, with the Amendments made thereto by Council ; to which he requested the Concurrence of this House in the said Amendments ; which Bill with the Amendments was read, and the Amendments being read in their Places, were agreed to ; whereupon,

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be re-engrossed, with the said Amendments.

A Petition from *David Johnson*, and *James Ludlam*, of the County of *Cape-May*, was read, praying Leave to present a Bill to enable them to stop the North Branch of *Dennis's Creek*, above the public Bridge lately erected thereon, in Order to build a Grist-Mill, or Mills, on said Creek ; and a Petition was presented, praying that the first mentioned Petitioners may not be indulged with the Prayer of their Petition ; which was also read ; whereupon,

*Ordered*, That the Petitioners first mentioned have Leave to present a Bill, on the second *Wednesday* of the next Sitting, to answer the Prayer of their Petition, on previously advertising the Purport of the Bill they mean to present, in three of the most public Places of the County of *Cape-May*, and also for three Weeks previous thereto, with a Copy of this Order, in one of the News-papers printed in *Philadelphia*.

A Petition from the Board of Justices and Freeholders, of the County of *Burlington*, on the Subject of a Law passed last Sitting, relative to the Deficiencies of

the Township of *Egg-Harbour*, in the Payment of their Taxes, was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Petition of *James Parker*, and others, read on the first Instant, with sundry other Petitions on the same Subject, respecting the Proceedings of the Commissioners, appointed to ascertain and fix where the Bridge should be built over *Raritan*, at *New-Brunswick*, with a Copy of their Report, and a comparative View of the present Rate of Ferriage over the *Raritan*, at *New-Brunswick*, with the Toll, or Rate of Fare, reported by the Commissioners, appointed by an Act of the Legislature, to fix the Place for building the Bridge over the River *Raritan*, and the Toll or Rate of Fare for crossing the same, and with the Toll or Rate of Fare thought adequate to the Expence of building the said Bridge, and held up to the Commissioners, as an Offer to the said Commissioners, before they made the second Report, with the Difference between the two Rates, was read, and committed to Messrs. *Van Cleve*, *Haring*, *Condict*, *Runyan*, and *Linn*, to report thereon.

Mr. *Condict*, with Leave, presented the Draught of a Bill, intituled, *An Act, supplemental to the Act, intituled, An Act to ascertain the Time and Mode of levying Taxes, and the better to inforce the Collection thereof*; passed June 5th 1787; which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. *Mayhew*, from Council, presented the following Bills, to which he requested the Concurrence of this House.

A Bill, intituled, *An Act for the regular Holding of the Courts of Oyer and Terminer, and General Goal-Delivery, and Nisi Prius, in the several Counties of this State, and for other Purposes therein mentioned.*

A Bill, intituled, *A Supplement to the Act, intituled, An Act to regulate and fix the Times for holding the Courts of Appeal and Errors*; which said Bills were severally read, and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. *Woodruff*, from the Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the Administrators and Heirs of *Abraham Montfore*, deceased, reported as follows:

That by a Law of this State, passed the 16th Day of December, 1784, intituled, *An Act to ascertain the Power and Authority of the Ordinary and Surrogates, to regulate the Jurisdiction of the Prerogative Court, and to establish an Orphan's Court, in the several Counties of the State*, the Orphan's Court are directed, and have full Power and Authority to order and decree a reasonable Allowance, for the Maintainance and Education of young Children, of Persons dying intestate, out of the personal Estate of the deceased, if sufficient; and where there is not sufficient personal Estate to pay just Debts and maintain Children, and there is real Estate, the Orphan's Court of the County where such real Estate lies, shall on Application order, direct, and decree, the Executor, Administrator, or Guardian, to make Sale of such Part or Parts of the same, from Time to Time, as this said Court shall judge sufficient to pay just Debts, and maintain Children.

That in the Opinion of your Committee the Provisions contained in the above mentioned Act are sufficiently competent, to answer the Purposes set forth, in the Prayer of the said Petition, and that it would be highly improper for the Legislature to interfere further with the Rights of Orphan Children, or to pass a Law to dispose of the Property of the Children under Age in the present Case.

By Order of the Committee,

A. D. WOODRUFF.

Which Report was read, and agreed to; whereupon,

Ordered, That the Petition referred to therein be dismissed.



On Motion,

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the Governor's Message, with the Papers accompanying the same, of the 1st Instant; whereupon the Speaker left the Chair, and Mr. *Haring* took the Chair, as Chairman of the Committee, and after some Time spent thereon, Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair, and Mr. *Haring*, Chairman of the Committee, reported,

That the Committee had made some Progress in the Business referred to them, and desired Leave to sit again.

*The House adjourned till To-Morrow Morning, Nine o'Clock.*

Saturday, November 5, 1791.

*The House met.*

Mr. *Van Cleve*, agreeably to Leave given, and in Behalf of *John Stevens*, Esq. presented the following Resolution:

*Resolved*, That the Treasurer be authorized and directed to issue a Certificate, agreeably to the Act, passed December 23d, 1783, for ascertaining the Value of Debts, due from the forfeited Estates of certain Fugitives and Offenders, and for directing the Payment of the same unto *John Stevens*, Esquire, for the Sum of Ninety-one Pounds, One Shilling and Four-pence, with Interest, from the 24th Day of November, 1789, being the Amount of what was due to the said *John Stevens*, on that Day from the confiscated Estate of *Joseph Barton*, if so much of the Estate of the said *Joseph Barton* should be in the Hands of the said Treasurer.

*Ordered*, That the said Resolution be read a second Time.

Mr. *Condict*, from the Committee appointed for that Purpose, reported the Draught of a Bill, intituled *An Act for the Relief of Insolvent Debtors*; which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

A Petition from *John Johnson*, in Behalf of himself, and *Elizabeth*, his Daughter, praying for Reasons therein contained, that *Thomas Miller*, confined in the Gaol of *Somerset* County, may not be indulged with the Benefit of an Act of Insolvency, was read, and ordered a second Reading with the said Bill.

Mr. *Sharp*, from the Committee to whom was committed the Petition from the Inhabitants of the Township of *Knowlton*, reported,

That the Supplement to the Act to ascertain the Time and Mode of levying Taxes now on the Files is adequate to the Prayer of the said Petitions.

By Order of the Committee,

SAMUEL SHARP.

To which the House agreed.

Mr. *Sharp*, with Leave, presented the Draught of a Bill, intituled, *An Act to direct the Treasurer to deliver unto Jacob Fries a certain Certificate in his Hands*; which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. *Van Cleve*, from the Committee to whom was referred the Petition of *James Parker*, and others, respecting the Proceedings of the Commissioners, appointed to ascertain and fix, where the Bridge should be built over *Raritan*, at *New-Brunswick*, with the Papers accompanying the same, reported as follows:

That they have examined the Petitions and Papers to them referred, and in the Opinion of your Committee they contain Information worthy the Attention of the House, and interesting to the public in general: your Committee would

therefore

therefore recommend, that the Petitioners be indulged with a Hearing before this House, on the Subject Matter contained in their Petition.

By Order of the Committee,

BENJAMIN VAN CLEVE.

To which the House agreed. Whereupon,

*Ordered*, That a Hearing be had before the House, on *Friday*, the 11th Day of this Instant, at Ten o'Clock in the Morning; and that Mr. *Parker*, in Behalf of the Petitioners, give Notice to *Andrew Kirkpatrick*, Esquire, one of the Committee of the Subscribers for building the Bridge over *Raritan*, and also to three or more of the Commissioners, who were appointed by the Law, passed last Sitting, to affix the Place, and ascertain the Rates to be taken for crossing the said Bridge, at least three Days previous to that Day, and serve them with a Copy of this Order, and the above Report.

A Petition from *Little Egg-Harbour*, in *Burlington County*; and also a Petition from *Stafford*, in the County of *Monmouth*, stating Difficulties that arise in the Collection and Payment of their Taxes, and desiring that the old Arrears of Taxes may be discharged by the said Township, by paying in the current Money of the State, One Pound for Three Pounds, of the said Arrearages, were read and ordered a second Reading.

The re-engrossed Bill, intituled, *An Act to incorporate the Society for propagating the Gospel among the Heathen, formed by Members of the Episcopal Church, of the United Brethren, or Unitas Fratrum*, was read and compared.

*Resolved*, That the same do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr *D. Vroom* do carry the said Bill to Council, and acquaint them, that the same is passed by this House, with their Amendments.

Mr. *Eldredge*, from Council, informed the House, that the Bill, intituled, *An Act to enable the Inhabitants of Elizabeth-Town, to rebuild their Court-House and Gaol, and to complete their Academy*, is passed by Council, and that Council agree to the Resolution, relative to directing the Treasurer, to give Notice to *Anthony Brodereck*, to redeem certain Certificates, &c.

Mr. *Lambert*, from Council, informed the House, that the Bill, intituled, *An Act to ratify and confirm the Election of Sheriffs in certain Counties of this State*, is passed by Council, without Amendment.

The Bill, intituled, *An Act to prevent the public Records being removed, by Writs of Subpœna*, was read a second Time, and committed to Messrs. *Woodruff*, *Clark*, and *Sharp*.

The Petition of *William Rudrow*, and *Joseph Cowperthwait*, of the State of *New-Jersey*, and of *William Follwell*, of the State of *Pennsylvania*, stating a Demand against the confiscated Estate of *Jacob Hewitt*, and praying, that the Treasurer may be directed to issue a Certificate unto them, for the Amount of their Demand, or such Part thereof, as there may be Money in the Treasury to discharge, was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Bill, intituled, *An Act supplemental to the Act, intituled, An Act to ascertain the Time and Mode of levying Taxes, and the better to enforce the Collection thereof*; passed, *June 5th, 1787*, was read a second Time, and committed to Messrs. *Condit*, *Stillwell*, and *D. Vroom*.

Mr. *Woodruff*, from the Committee, to whom was referred the Petition of *Nicholas Bogart*, for an Allowance of Pay and Depreciation of Pay due to his Son, as a Continental Soldier, who was killed in *June, 1780*; the Petition of

*John*



*John Hepnor*, for an Allowance of Depreciation of Pay, as a Continental Soldier; the Petition of *Silvester Marias*, for an Allowance of Pay for Six Months and Three Weeks, as a Serjeant in the Militia, called out on a Month's Service, being so long confined with a Wound received, in the same Service; the Petition of *Lewis Anderson*, for an Allowance of Pay, as a Soldier in the *Flying Camp*, from the 16th November, 1776, to August 15th, 1782, being a Prisoner during that Time; the Petition of *Reuben Randolph*, for Indemnification for his Property, sold by Virtue of a Judgment and Execution, obtained against him for Wine taken and used for Militia Stores, while on Duty; the Petitions of *Elizabeth Wordun*, *Phæbe Leonard*, and *Martha Treeleaf*, for an Allowance of the Half-Pay of their deceased Husbands, being Soldiers in the Continental Army; the Petition of *Elisba Jewell*, for an Allowance of Pay, as an Express to the late Governor *Livingston*; and also the Petition of *Thomas Flahavan*, and others, for Depreciation of Pay, due to his Brother, Captain *John Flahavan*, late of the First *New-Jersey* Regiment, deceased, beg Leave to report,

That your Committee, in contemplating the Propriety of the Claims of the said Petitioners, have thought it necessary, to examine the several Ordinances, Resolutions, and Acts of the late, as well as the present Congress of the United States, in Order to ascertain how far this State can have Credit for the same in their Settlement with the United States, which they beg Leave to state to the House, and are as follows:

1. An Ordinance of the late Congress, of the 7th May, 1787, for the settling the Accounts between the United States and individual States, by which Commissioners were appointed to receive of the States all their Accounts and Vouchers, for Payments made, on Account of Bounties, Pay, and Depreciation of Pay, to the late Army of the United States; and for Advances to the Militia, called out under the Authority of the United States, and actually in their Service, and to give descriptive Acknowledgments thereof, which Accounts and Vouchers were ordered to be forwarded to the Commissioner of Army Accounts, whose Duty it was to examine and pass such, as are authorized by the Resolves of Congress, and supported by proper Vouchers, and state such as may not fall under the above Description, together with such Remarks, as may tend to elucidate the Nature of those Claims; that the said Commissioners were also to receive in like Manner the Accounts and Vouchers, for Monies paid, and Supplies furnished, on the Requisitions of Congress, made previously to October, 1781, and to forward the same to the Office of the Comptroller of the Treasury; that the said Commissioners were also to receive and examine all the Claims of the States, to which they are appointed, against the United States, for Advances, or Disbursements by them made, for the Use of the late Commissary, Quarter-Master, Cloathing, Marine, and Hospital Departments, or under any other Description whatsoever, to pass upon all such as are authorized by the Resolves of Congress, and supported by proper Vouchers, so far as it respects the Evidence offered in Support of the said Claims, and to state such as are not thus warranted, or supported, together with such Remarks, as may explain the Nature of those Accounts, and the Reasons offered for the Deficiency of Vouchers.

It is further ordained, that the several States be limited to the Space of Six Months, for exhibiting to the proper Commissioner their Claims against the United States, of what Nature the same may be; and that such States as may neglect to exhibit the same within that Period of Time, after the Commissioner notified the Supreme Executive, that he was ready to proceed on the Business of his Commission, should be precluded from any future Allowance, but should nevertheless stand chargeable with all Advances of Money in other Articles, which may have been made to them respectively by the United States, and with whatever Balances may be yet due on their several Quotas of the general Requisitions.

2. That on the 24th *June*, 1788, a Resolution of Congress was passed, allowing to the State Three Months, in Addition to the Time limited, by the aforegoing Ordinance, for exhibiting to the District Commissioners their respective Accounts against the United States, and also Leave to transmit further additional Vouchers, or other Testimony, in Support of Claims which had been exhibited.

3. That an Act was passed by the present Congress, on the 5th *August*, 1790, appointing Commissioners to receive and examine all Claims, which shall be exhibited to them before the 1st *July*, 1791, and determine on such as shall have accrued for the general or particular Defence, during the war, and on the Evidence thereof, according to the Principles of general Equity, (although such Claims may not be sanctioned by the Resolves of Congress, or supported by regular Vouchers) so as to provide for the final Settlement of all Accounts between the United States and the States individually, but no Evidence of a Claim heretofore admitted by a Commissioner of the United States, for any State or District, shall be subject to such Examination; nor shall any Claim of any Citizen be admitted as a Charge against the United States, in the Account of any State, unless the same was allowed by such State, before the 24th Day of *September*, 1788.

Your Committee beg Leave to observe, that the Congress of the United States appear to have been disposed to receive every just and reasonable Claim against them, as charged by the individual States, and that the Claims above referred to your Committee, would have with Propriety been chargeable against the United States, had they been allowed by this State, before the 24th *September*, 1788, but that at this Time they would submit to the Consideration of the House the following Resolution, *to wit*:

*Resolved,*

Dr.

JAMES MOTT, Treasurer,---

On Account of Taxes, levied in Continen---

To Deficiencies not paid in on the last  
Settlement, by the Counties of

Specie, or

Lawful Money.

Bergen,

£. 266 14 11

Monmouth,

1148 16

Burlington,

2816 15 8

Hunterdon,

402 5 9

Morris,

170 14 4

£. 4805 6 8

Dr.

JAMES MOTT, Treasurer,---

On Account of Tax, for raising £. 50,000 State---

To Deficiencies not paid in on the last  
Settlement, by the Counties of

State-Money and  
Certificates.

Burlington,

£. 3806 3 6 1-4

Suffex,

578 19 7 3-4

£. 4385 3 2



*Resolved*, That as all Claims allowed by this State, since the 24th September, 1788, cannot be received by the Commissioners appointed to settle the Accounts between the United States, and the States individually, and as this State cannot have credit with the United States for such Advances, that this House will not allow any further Claims, as a Charge of this State against the United States, until Congress should make further Provision to receive the same, and pass them to the Credit of this State.

By Order of the Committee,

A. D. WOODRUFF.

Which Report was read, and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. Cooper, with Leave, presented the Draught of a Bill, intituled, *An Act, to repeal part of an Act, intituled, An Act to enable the Owners of the Tide Swamps and Marshes, to improve the same, and the Owners of Meadows, already banked in, and held by different Persons, to keep the same in good Repair*; which Bill was read, and ordered a second Reading.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Cooper have Leave of Absence until Tuesday next.

*The House adjourned till Monday Morning, Ten o'Clock,*

Monday, November 7, 1791.

*The House met.*

Mr. Wallace, from the Committee appointed to join a Committee of the Council, to settle the Treasurer's Accounts, reported as follows :

---to the State of NEW-JERSEY,	Cr.
---tal Money, and reduced to Specie.	
By Deficiencies not yet paid in	Specie, or
by the Counties of	Lawful Money.
Bergen,	£. 266 14 11
Monmouth,	1148 16
Burlington,	2816 15 8
Hunterdon,	402 5 9
Morris,	69 4 3
Balance carried to Account Current,	101 0 1
November 1, 1791.	£. 4805 6 8

By Order of the Committees,

JOHN CONDIT,  
ISRAEL HEDDEN,

---to the State of NEW-JERSEY,	Cr.
---Money and Certificates, due December 1, 1781.	
By Deficiencies not yet paid in	State-Money and
by the Counties of	Certificates.
Burlington,	£. 2896 9 8 1-4
Suffex,	578 19 7 3-4
Balance carried to Account Current,	909 13 10
November 1, 1791.	£. 4385 3 2

By Order of the Committees,

JOHN CONDIT,  
ISRAEL HEDDEN,

Dr.	JAMES MOTT, Treasurer,---
On Account of Tax for raising 50,000l. State-Money and---	
To Deficiency not paid in on the last	State Money and
Settlement, by the County of	Certificates.
Suffex.	£. 1307 15 3 3-4

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Dr.	JAMES MOTT, Treasurer,---
On Account of Tax for raising 50,000l. State-Money,---	
To Deficiencies not paid in on the	State-Money, and
last Settlement, by the Counties of	Certificates. Specie.
Essex,	£. 245 18 8
Monmouth,	£. 1370 11 0 3-4
Burlington,	1934 1 7 1-2
Hunterdon,	1018 0 6
Morris,	853 19 7 1-2
Suffex,	1090 12 5 385 8 0
	£. 4333 3 7 1-4 £. 2565 8 3 1-2

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Dr.	JAMES MOTT, Treasurer,---
On Account of the Proportion of the first Pay---	
To Deficiencies not paid in on the	State-Money. Specie.
last Settlement, by the Counties of	£. 210 15 11
Burlington,	£. 214 0 3
Suffex,	£. 214 0 3 £. 210 15 11

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Dr.	JAMES MOTT, Treasurer,---
On Account of the Proportion of the second Pay---	
To Deficiencies not paid in on the last	State-Money.
Settlement, by the Counties of	£. 80 0 0
Middlesex,	568 14 9
Suffex,	£. 648 14 9



---to the State of NEW-JERSEY, Cr.  
 ---Certificates, and 25,000l. Specie, due *April 1, 1782.*  
 By Deficiency not yet paid in, State-Money and  
 by the County of Certificates.  
 Suffex, £. 1307 15 3 3-4  
*November 1, 1791.*  
 By Order of the Committees,  
 JOHN CONDIT,  
 ISRAEL HEDDEN.

---to the State of NEW-JERSEY, Cr.  
 ---and Certificates, and 25,000l. Specie, due *July 1, 1782.*  
 By Deficiencies not yet paid in  
 by the Counties of  
 Essex, £. 49 0 1  
 Monmouth, £. 1370 11 0 3-4  
 Burlington, 1342 3 10 1-2  
 Hunterdon, 978 6 3  
 Morris, 853 19 7 1-2  
 Suffex, 1090 12 5 385 8  
 Balance carried to Account Current, 39 14 3 788 16 4  
*November 1, 1791.* £. 4333 3 7 1-4 £. 2565 8 3 1-2  
 By Order of the Committees,  
 JOHN CONDIT,  
 ISRAEL HEDDEN.

---to the State of NEW-JERSEY, Cr.  
 ---ment of Tax, for raising 90,000l. due *October 1, 1782.*  
 By Deficiencies not yet paid in  
 by the Counties of  
 Burlington, State-Money. Specie.  
 Suffex, £. 214 0 3 £. 210 15 11  
*November 1, 1791.* £. 214 0 3 £. 210 15 11  
 By Order of the Committees,  
 JOHN CONDIT,  
 ISRAEL HEDDEN.

---to the State of NEW-JERSEY, Cr.  
 ---ment of Tax, for raising 90,300l. due *January 1, 1783.*  
 By Deficiency not yet paid in,  
 by the County of  
 Suffex, State-Money.  
 Balance carried to Account Current, £. 568 14 9  
 80  
*November 1, 1791.* £. 648 14 9  
 By Order of the Committees,  
 JOHN CONDIT,  
 ISRAEL HEDDEN.

Dr.

JAMES MOTT, Treasurer,---

On Account of the Proportion of the second Pay---

To Deficiencies not paid in on the last  
Settlement, by the Counties ofBurlington,  
Hunterdon,  
Morris,  
Suffex,

Specie.

£. 475	6	3	3-4
938	1	11	3-4
542	11	10	
1600	3	10	1-2

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 £. 3556 4 0

Dr.

JAMES MOTT, Treasurer,---

On Account of Tax, for raising 10,000l. Specie, for---

To Deficiencies not paid in on the last  
Settlement, by the Counties ofHunterdon,  
Suffex,

Specie.

£. 571	4	10
633	18	7

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 £. 1205 3 5

Dr.

JAMES MOTT, Treasurer,---

On Account of Tax, for raising a Revenue of---

To Deficiency not paid in on the last  
Settlement, by the County of  
Suffex,

Lawful Money.

£. 369	14	8
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Dr.

JAMES MOTT, Treasurer,---

On Account of Tax, for raising a Revenue of 31,259l. 5s.---

To Deficiencies not paid on the last  
Settlement, by the Counties ofMiddlesex,  
Suffex,

Lawful Money.

£. 100	0	0
614	7	1

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 £. 714 7 1



---to the State of NEW-JERSEY,  
---ment of Tax, for raising 90,930l. due *January 1, 1784.*

Cr.

By Deficiencies not yet paid in  
by the Counties of

Burlington,

Hunterdon,

Morris,

Suffex,

Balance carried to Account Current,

Specie.

£. 475 6 3 3-4

880 11 11 3-4

342 11 10

1060 0 0

797 13 10 1-2

*November 1, 1791.*

£. 3556 4 0

By Order of the Committees,

JOHN CONDIT,  
ISRAEL HEDDEN.

---to the State of NEW-JERSEY,  
---sinking 30,000l. in Bills of Credit, due *December 1, 1785.*

Cr.

By Deficiencies not yet paid in  
by the Counties of

Hunterdon,

Suffex,

Balance carried to Account Current,

£. 529 18 4

633 18 7

41 6 6

*November 1, 1791.*

£. 1205 3 5

By Order of the Committees,

JOHN CONDIT,  
ISRAEL HEDDEN.

---to the State of NEW-JERSEY,  
---31,250l. 5s. in Bills of Credit, due *December 1, 1785.*

Cr.

By Deficiency not yet paid in  
by the County of

Suffex,

*November 1, 1791.*

Lawful Money.

£. 399 11 8

By Order of the Committees,

JOHN CONDIT,  
ISRAEL HEDDEN.

---to the State of NEW-JERSEY,  
---in Bills of Credit, due *December 1, 1786.*

Cr.

By Deficiencies not yet paid in  
by the Counties of

Middlesex,

Suffex,

*November 1, 1791.*

Lawful Money.

£. 100 0 0

64 7 1

£. 714 7 1

By Order of the Committees,

JOHN CONDIT,  
ISRAEL HEDDEN.

Dr.

JAMES MOTT, Treasurer,---

On Account of Tax, for raising 12,500l. for paying---

To Deficiency not paid in on the last  
Settlement, by the County of  
Hunterdon,

Lawful Money.

£. 239 0 8

Dr.

JAMES MOTT, Treasurer,---

On Account of Tax for raising a Revenue of---

To Deficiencies not paid in on the last  
Settlement, by the Counties of  
Hunterdon,  
Suffex.

Lawful Money.

£. 194 10 0

334 15 6

£. 529 5 6

Dr.

JAMES MOTT, Treasurer,---

On Account of Tax for raising a Revenue of 31,259l. 5s.---

To Deficiencies not paid in on the  
last Settlement, by the Counties of

Lawful Money.

£. 30 0 0

316 16 6

1163 5 9

£. 1510 2 3

Dr.

JAMES MOTT, Treasurer,---

On Account of Tax, for raising 12,500l. for sinking---

To Deficiencies not paid in on the  
last Settlement, by the Counties of

Lawful Money.

£. 185 10 11

111 4 3

481 19 7

242 19 0

101 12 0

£. 1123 5 9



---to the State of NEW-JERSEY, Cr.  
 ---the Interest on the State Debt, due *December 30, 1787.* Lawful-Money.  
 Amount carried to Account Current, £. 239 0 8  
*November 1, 1791.*

By Order of the Committees,

JOHN CONDIT,  
 ISRAEL HEDDEN.

---to the State of NEW-JERSEY, Cr.  
 ---31,259l. 5s. in Bills of Credit, due *December 30, 1788.*

By Deficiencies not yet paid in  
 by the Counties of

Lawful Money.

Hunterdon,

£. 165 4 0

Suffex,

334 15 6

Balance carried to Account Current,

29 6 0

*November 1, 1791.*

£. 529 5 6

By Order of the Committees,

JOHN CONDIT,  
 ISRAEL HEDDEN,

---to the State of NEW-JERSEY, Cr.  
 ---in Bills of Credit, due *December, 30, 1789.*

By Deficiencies not yet paid in,

by the Counties of

Lawful Money.

Middlesex,

£. 30 0 0

Suffex,

524 7 3

Balance carried to Account Current,

955 15 0

*November 1, 1791.*

£. 1510 2 3

By Order of the Committees,

JOHN CONDIT,  
 ISRAEL HEDDEN,

---to the State of NEW-JERSEY, Cr.  
 ---the Bills of Credit of this State, due *July 10, 1790.*

Lawful Money.

Amount carried to Account Current,

1123 5 9

*November 1, 1791.*

By Order of the Committees,

JOHN CONDIT,  
 ISRAEL HEDDEN,

Dr.

JAMES MOTT, Treasurer,---  
On Account of Tax for raising---To the Quotas of the said Tax, payable  
into the Treasury by the several  
Counties,

Lawful Money.

Bergen,	{ £. 847 14 7 678 3 8 508 12 9 }	{ £. 2034 11 0
Essex,	{ 859 1 8 687 5 4 515 9 0 }	{ 2061 16 0
Middlesex,	{ 1035 7 6 828 6 0 621 4 6 }	{ 2484 18 0
Monmouth,	{ 1246 12 7 997 6 1 747 19 7 }	{ 2991 18 3
Somerset,	{ 1069 6 2 855 8 11 641 11 8 }	{ 2566 6 9
Burlington,	{ 1422 1 8 1137 13 4 853 5 0 }	{ 3413 0 0
Gloucester,	{ 1005 7 5 804 5 11 603 4 5 }	{ 2412 17 9
Salem,	{ 861 5 7 689 0 6 516 15 4 1-2 }	{ 2067 1 5 1-2
Cape-May,	{ 182 15 4 146 4 3 109 13 3 }	{ 438 12 10
Hunterdon,	{ 1665 0 0 1332 0 0 999 0 0 }	{ 3996 0 0
Morris,	{ 911 17 5 729 9 11 547 2 5 }	{ 2188 9 9
Cumberland,	{ 438 7 5 350 13 11 263 0 5 }	{ 1052 1 9
Suffex,	{ 955 2 8 764 2 2 573 1 7 1-2 }	{ 2292 6 5 1-2
		£. 30000 0 0

Dr.

JAMES MOTT, Treasurer,---  
On Account of Tax in Specie, due October 1, 1782, which was payable---  
ber 28, 1789, is made pay---To Deficiencies not paid in on the last  
Settlement, by the Counties ofSpecie, or  
Lawful Money.

Monmouth,	£. 697 18 0
Hunterdon,	527 16 6
Morris,	398 16 10
Suffex,	1757 1 6

£. 3381 12 10



---to the State of NEW-JERSEY,  
 ---30,000l. due *December 30, 1790.*  
 By Deficiency not yet paid in  
 by the County of  
 Suffex,  
 Balance carried to Account Current,

Cr.

Lawful Money.  
 £. 215 1 10  
 29784 18 2

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£. 30000 0 0

*November 1, 1791.*

By Order of the Committees,

JOHN CONDIT,  
 ISRAEL HEDDEN.

---to the State of NEW-JERSEY,  
 ---to the Receiver of Continental Taxes, but by a Law, passed *Novem-*  
 ---able into the Treasury.  
 By Deficiencies not yet paid in,

Cr.

by the Counties of

Specie, or  
 Lawful Money.

Monmouth,

£. 697 18 0

Hunterdon,

425 11 0

Morris,

328 16 10

Suffex,

1757 1 6

Balance carried to Account Current,

102 5 6

*November 1, 1791.*

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£. 3381 12 10

By Order of the Committees,

JOHN CONDIT,  
 ISRAEL HEDDEN.

Dr.

JAMES MOTT, Treasurer,---

On Account of Tax in Specie, due *January 1, 1783*, which was payable---  
ber, 28, 1789, is made pay---To Deficiencies not paid in on the last  
Settlement, by the Counties ofSpecie, or  
Lawful Money.

Essex,	£. 359 0 2	
To Error in Return, made <i>Dec.</i>		
10, 1789, by James Ewing, Re-		
ceiver of Continental Taxes, &		
corrected by him, <i>May 11, 1791,</i>	135 0 0	
Monmouth,		2931 0 0
Somerset,		1692 9 1
Burlington,		3062 9 1
Hunterdon,		4063 0 0
Morris,		2478 13 4
Cumberland,		312 7 4
Suffex,		2400 0 0
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		£. 17433 19 0

Dr.

JAMES MOTT, Treasurer,---

On Account of Tax in Specie, due *October 1, 1783*, which was payable---  
ber 28, 1789, is made pay---To Deficiencies not paid in on the last  
Settlement, by the Counties ofSpecie, or  
Lawful Money.

Essex,	£. 536 1 2	
Middlesex,	61 14 10	
Monmouth,	1465 10 0	
Somerset,	1293 0 0	
Burlington,	1540 6 4	
Hunterdon,	368 6 2	
Morris,	1239 6 8	
Cumberland,	675	
Suffex,	1200	
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	£. 8379 5 2	

Dr.

JAMES MOTT, Treasurer,---

On Account of Tax in Specie, due *January 1, 1784*, which was payable to the Receiver of Continen---  
To Deficiencies not paid in on the last

Settlement, by the Counties of

Specie, or  
Lawful Money.

Bergen,	£. 199 16 4	
Essex,	1090 1 2	
Middlesex,	1139 7 0	
Monmouth,	1465 10 0	
Somerset,	1293 0 0	
Burlington,	1540 6 4	
Salem,	830 1 6	
Hunterdon,	2031 10 0	
Morris,	1239 6 8	
Cumberland,	675 0 0	
Suffex,	1200 0 0	
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	£. 2703 19 0	



---to the State of NEW-JERSEY,  
 ---to the Receiver of Continental Taxes, but by a Law, passed Novem-  
 ---able into the Treasury.

Cr.

By Deficiencies not yet paid in  
 by the Counties of

Specie, or Lawful Money.
£. 2931 0 0
1692 9 1
3062 9 1
4063 0 0
2478 13 4
212 7 4
2400 0 0
594 0 2

Balance carried to Account Current,

November 1, 1791.

By Order of the Committees,

£. 17433 19 0

JOHN CONDIT.  
 ISRAEL HEDDEN.

---to the State of NEW-JERSEY,  
 ---to the Receiver of Continental Taxes, but by a Law, passed Novem-  
 ---able into the Treasury.

Cr.

By Deficiencies not yet paid in  
 by the Counties of

Specie, or Lawful Money.
£. 536 1 2
1465 10 0
1293 0 0
1540 6 4
368 6 2
1239 6 8
675
1200
61 14 10

Balance carried to Account Current,

November 1, 1791.

By Order of the Committees,

£. 8379 5 2

JOHN CONDIT,  
 ISRAEL HEDDEN.

---to the State of NEW-JERSEY,  
 ---tal Taxes, but by a Law, passed November 28, 1789, is made payable into the Treasury.

Cr.

By Deficiencies not yet paid in,  
 by the Counties of

Specie, or Lawful Money.
£. 199 16 4
1090 1 2
757 2 7
1465 10 0
1293 0 0
1540 6 4
2031 10 0
1239 6 8
675 0 0
1200 0 0
1217 5 11

Balance carried to Account Current.

November 1, 1791.

By Order of the Committees,

£. 12703 19 0

JOHN CONDIT,  
 ISRAEL HEDDEN.

# AMOUNT of DEFICIENCIES due from the several COUNTIES.

ARREARS of TAXES, due before the Year 1785.

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE.

Counties.	Levied in Old State-Money.			Levied in Continental Money & reduced to Specie.			Levied in Specie.			Levied in Specie, formerly due to the Continental Receiver.			Sinking Fund Tax, due December 1, 1785, Specie.			Arrears of Revenue-Taxes.			Tax, due December 30, 1790.			Old State-Money.			Specie, or Lawful Money.		
	£	s	D	£	s	D	£	s	D	£	s	D	£	s	D	£	s	D	£	s	D	£	s	D	£	s	D
Bergen,	0	0	0	266	14	11	0	0	0	199	16	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Essex,	0	0	0	0	0	0	49	0	1	1626	2	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Middlesex,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	752	2	7	0	0	0	130	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Monmouth,	1370	11	6 3-4	1148	16	0	0	0	0	6559	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Somerset,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4278	9	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Burlington,	2896	9	8 1-4	2816	15	8	2028	6	1 1-4	6143	1	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gloucester,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Salem,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cape-May,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hunterdon,	978	6	3	402	5	9	880	11	11 3-4	6888	7	2	529	18	4	165	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Morris,	853	19	7 1-2	69	14	3	342	11	10	5356	3	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cumberland,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1562	7	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Suffex.	3760	2	4 1-2	0	0	0	1445	8	0	6557	1	6	633	18	7	1843	4	6	215	1	10	3760	2	4 1-2	10694	14	5
	9859	9	0	4704	6	7	4745	18	0	39923	9	7	1163	16	11	2138	8	6	215	1	10	9859	9	0	52891	1	5



		Dr.
JAMES MOTT, Treasurer, to the State of NEW-JERSEY, On Account of Cash received of sundry Persons.		
1790.	Received of Joseph Buck, Esquire, late Sheriff of Cum-	
Decem. 1,	berland County, per Aaron D. Woodruff, Esquire, on Account of Fines,	£. 6 5 0
14,	Eli Elmer, Esquire, former Sheriff of Cumberland County, per Maskell Ewing, Esquire, on Account of an Action against Enos Seely and William Kelfay, at the Suite of the State,	37 0 0
1791.	John Stevenson, being the Sum overpaid for the first and	
April 8,	second Years Interest, on a Continental Loan-Office Certificate, of the following Description, viz. No. 415, dated August 8, 1779, signed by Francis Hopkinson, and countersigned by Joseph Borden, for 600 Dollars, the first year's Interest paid October 5, 1784, the se- cond paid April 14, 1785, the Sum paid, 20 2-90ths Dollars, the Sum due only 4 28-90ths Dollars, over- paid, 15 64-90ths Dollars, is	5 17 10
May 11,	Henry Garrtlee, former Collector of Essex County, on Account of condemned Goods, sold in said County, October 31, 1785,	12 0 0
24,	Wilson Hunt, being the Sum paid him, January 29, 1787, for two Years Interest on a Certificate, No. 2440, signed by Benjamin Thomson, for 70 43-90ths Dollars, which appears by an Indorsement made thereon, by James Ewing, Esq. Commissioner, to have been altered from 7 63-90ths Dollars,	3 3 4
Sept. 7,	Robert Stockton, Esquire, former Sheriff of Somerset County, on Account of Fines,	6 11 9
	John Stillwell, Esquire, Agent of Monmouth County, on Account of forfeited Estates,	9 3 10
Amount carried to Account Current,		80 1 9
November 1, 1791.		

By Order of the Committees,

JOHN CONDIT,  
ISRAEL HEDDEN.

		Dr.
JAMES MOTT, Treasurer, to the State of NEW-JERSEY, On Account of Cash received for Licenses, given by Virtue of a Law, passed November 24, 1786,		
1791.	Received of Stephen Page, John M'Collum, John Polhe-	
Jan. 1,	mus, William Jones, Nehemiah Varnon, John M'Carr, John Mercereau, Thomas Ward, and Samuel Sears, for a License to run a Line of Stages through, or a- cross this State for one Year from this Date,	£. 150 0 0
June 1,	John Van Emburgh, per Erasmus Edwards, for a Li- cense to run a Line of Stages from Bordentown to Amboy, for one Year from this Date,	20 0 0
May 1,	Amos Hutchin, per Jacob Wolcott, Esquire, for a Li- cense to run a Line of Stages from Burlington to Amboy, for one Year from this Date,	20 0 0
Oct. 15.	John Inskeep, per Alexander Chambers, jun. for a Li-	
Amount carried forward,		£. 190 0 0

Amount brought forward, £. 190 0 0  
 cense for John N. Cumming, John Heard, John Gullick, Matthias Kerlin, and John Inskeep, to run a Line of Stages through, or across this State, for one Year from the first Day of January last, 150 0 0

Amount carried to Account Current, £. 340 0 0  
 November 1, 1791.

By Order of the Committees,

JOHN CONDIT.  
 ISRAEL HEDDEN.

	JAMES MOTT, Treasurer, to the State of NEW-JERSEY,	Dr.
	On Account of Cash received by the Commissioners of the New Loan Offices in the several Counties, for Interest.	
1791.	Received of Joseph Beavers, Esq. one of the Commis-	
Jan. 6,	sioners for Hunterdon County, on Account of the fourth Year's Interest on the Sum loaned in said County,	£. 691 4 9
14,	Joseph Lewis, Esquire, Ditto, for Morris County, on Account of Ditto,	370 0 0
17,	Isaac Wheaton and Eben. Elmer, Esquires, Commis-	
	sioners for Cumberland County, on Account of Ditto,	195 14 0
19,	Samuel Hugg, Esquire, one of Ditto, for Gloucester County, on Account of Ditto,	400 3 3
20,	Henry Berry, Ditto, for Bergen County, on Account of Ditto,	283 5 4
21,	Joseph Annin, Esquire, Ditto, for Somerset County, on Account of Ditto,	470 3 0
26,	Peter Covenhoven, Esquire, Ditto, of Monmouth County, on Account of Ditto, per Anthony F. Taylor,	507 1 4
28,	Abra Schuyler, Esquire, Ditto, of Middlesex County, per Peter Ten Eick, on Account of Ditto,	399 17 5
Feb. 2,	William Phillips Ditto, of Hunterdon County, per Ralph Phillips, in full of Ditto,	19 0 11
7,	Thomas Anderson, Esq. Ditto, of Sussex, County, on Account of Ditto,	485 5 6
12,	Edmund Wetherby, Esq. Ditto, of Salem County, on Account of Ditto,	252 14 0
	John Holme, Esq. Ditto, of Salem County, on Account of Ditto,	91 14 4
19,	John Baker and Elijah Hughes, Esquires, Commis-	
	sioners of Cape-May County, per Joseph C. Fisher, on Account of Ditto,	85 7 4
24,	John Black, one of the Commissioners for Burlington County, per Caleb Newbold, on Account of Ditto,	535 8 0
March 3,	Samuel Hugg, Esquire, Ditto, of Gloucester County, per Joseph Whitall, on Account of Ditto,	8 0 0
5,	Joseph Lewis, Esquire, Ditto, of Morris County, per Mahlon Dickenson, in Full of Ditto,	30 18 1
10,	Jonas Wade, Esquire, Ditto, of Essex County, per William Platt, jun. in Full of Ditto,	364 2 10
26,	John Black, Ditto, of Burlington County, in Full of Ditto,	24 1 2
	Amount carried forward	£. 5214 1 3



		Amount brought forward	£. 5214	1	4
May 30.	John Holme, Esquire, Ditto, of Salem County, in Full of Ditto,			16	6 1
June 16,	Joseph Annin and Abra Staats, Esquires, Commissioners of Somerset County, per Jaques Voorheese, in Full of Ditto,			2	0 10
25,	Joseph Champion, Ditto, of Gloucester County, in Full of Ditto,			4	8 3
	Also, Three Months Interest on 35l. up to March last, on which the Equity of Redemption was foreclosed,			0	10 6

Amount carried to Account Current, £. 5237 6 11  
 November 1, 1791. By Order of the Committees,

JOHN CONDIT,  
 ISRAEL HEDDEN.

	JAMES MOTT, Treasurer, to the State of NEW-JERSEY,	Dr
	On Account of Loan-Office Money of 1786, received of the Commissioners of the New Loan-Offices, in the several Counties, cancelled by their respective Boards of Justices and Freeholders.	
1791.	Received of Thomas Anderson, Esquire, one of the Commissioners for Suffex County, a sealed Bundle of the Loan-Office Money of 1786, cancelled by the Board of Justices and Freeholders in said County, on the 11th inst. certified to contain	£. 277 15 0
May 13.	John Smock, Nicholas Van Brunt, Hendrick Voorhies, and Peter Covenhoven, Commissioners for Monmouth County, Ditto, cancelled by Ditto, on the 11th inst. certified to contain,	183 3 0
26,	Henry Berry, one of the Commissioners for Bergen County, Ditto, cancelled by Ditto on the 12th inst. certified to contain	614 7 0
30,	John Holme, Esq. one of the Commissioners for Salem County, Ditto, cancelled by Ditto on the 11th inst. certified to contain	89 12 0
June 7,	Jonas Wade, Esq. Ditto, for Essex County Ditto, cancelled by Ditto on the 11th May last, certified to contain	151 0 0
16,	Joseph Annin, and Abra Staats, Esqrs. Commissioners for Somerset County, per Jaques Voorhees, Ditto, cancelled by Ditto, on Ditto, certified to contain	228 10 0
25,	Samuel Hugg, and Joseph Champion, Esqrs. Commissioners of Gloucester County, Ditto, cancelled by Ditto, on Ditto, certified to contain	242 2 0
July 13,	Abra Schuyler and John Runyan, Esqrs, Ditto, for Middlesex County, per John D. Alvey, Ditto, cancelled by Ditto on Ditto, certified to contain	154 10 0
	John Mills, and Joseph Lewis, Esqrs. Ditto, for Morris County, Ditto, cancelled by Ditto, on Ditto, certified to contain	207 2 0
Aug. 1,	Joseph Reading, Joseph Beavers, and William Phillips, Esqrs. Commissioners for Hunterdon County, Ditto,	

Amount carried forward, £. 2148 1 0  
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	Amount brought forward,	£. 2148	1	0
	cancelled by Ditto, on Ditto, certified to contain,	774	2	0
6,	John Black, one of the Commissioners for Burlington County, Ditto, cancelled by Ditto, on Ditto, certified to contain	341	0	0
Sept. 6,	Isaac Wheaton, Esq. Ditto of Cumberland County, per James Giles, Esq. Ditto, cancelled by Ditto on Ditto, certified to contain	104	16	0
9,	John Outwater, and Henry Berry, Esqrs. Commissioners for Bergen County, per Nehemiah Wade, Esq. Ditto, cancelled by Ditto on the 4th July last, certified to contain	175	2	0
Oct. 26,	John Baker, and Elijah Hughes, Esqrs. Commissioners for Cape-May County, per Richard Townsend, Esq. Ditto, cancelled by Ditto on the 11th May last, certified to contain	20	0	0
	Amount carried to Account Current,	£. 3563	1	0
November 1, 1791.				

By Order of the Committees,

JOHN CONDIT,  
ISRAEL HEDDEN.

	JAMES MOTT, Treasurer, to the State of NEW-JERSEY,	Dr.
	On Account of Notes or Certificates received of sundry Persons.	
1790.	Received of Joseph Black Esq. former Sheriff of Gloucester County, per Franklin Davenport Esq. on Account of Fines levied in 1785 and 1786,	£. 48 15 5
Nov. 15.		
Dec. 29,	Adam Boyd Esq. Sheriff of Bergen County, per Jacob Terheun Esq. on Account of Ditto, levied in 1789,	24 5 4
May 11,	Henry Garritle, former Collector of Essex County, on	
	Amount carried forward,	£. 73 0 9

Dr.	JAMES MOTT, Treasurer,---	
	Account Current in---	
	To Amount of Notes or Certificates received of sundry Persons,	£. 478 19 10
	To Amount of Ditto, received of the Agent of Forfeited Estates, for Suffex County,	736 10 8
		£. 1215 10 6

November 1, 1791.

WE, the Committees of Council and Assembly, appointed to settle the---  
tive thereto, do find the same justly stated.



	Amount brought forward,	£. 73	0	9
	Account of condemned Goods sold in said County			
	October 31, 1785,	36	7	4
17,	Abraham Manning, Esq. late Sheriff of Bergen County, per Nehemiah Wade Esq on Account of a Debt due from him to the State, agreeably to a Resolution pas- sed June 3, 1790,	182	16	3
July 8,	John Blackwood Esq. late Sheriff of Gloucester County, on Account of Fines levied December Term, 1789,	125	8	10
Sept. 9,	William Halsted Esq. Sheriff of Essex County, on Account of Fines,	47	19	2
14,	John Blackwood Esq. late Sheriff of Gloucester County, on Account of Ditto levied in 1789.	13	7	6
	Amount carried to Account Current,	478	19	10
November 1, 1791.				

By Order of the Committees,

JOHN CONDIT,  
ISRAEL HEDDEN.

	JAMES MOTT, Treasurer, to the State of NEW-JERSEY,	Dr.
	On Account of Notes or Certificates received of the Agents of Forfeited Estates.	
1791.	Received of Joseph Gaston Esq. Agent of Forfeited E-	
June 29,	states, for Sussex County,	£. 736 10 8
	Amount carried to Account Current,	
November 1, 1791.		

By Order of the Committees,

JOHN CONDIT,  
ISRAEL HEDDEN.

---	to the State of NEW-JERSEY,	Cr.
---	Notes or Certificates.	
	By Amount of sundry Notes or Certificates, examined and allowed,	£. 1215 10 6

---Treasurer's Accounts, having examined the above, and the Vouchers rela-

ELLIS COOK,  
JOHN CONDIT,  
BATEMAN LLOYD,  
ISRAEL HEDDEN,  
JOEL FITHIAN,  
JOSHUA M. WALLACE,  
JOHN BLACKWOOD,  
PETER D. VROOM.

Dr.

JAMES MOTT, Treasurer,---  
Account Current in Old---

To Balance due the State in Old State-Money on Settlement made November 1, 1790,	£. 116 19 0 1-2
To Balance due the State on Settlement made November 1, 1790, in Lawful Money, 105 l. 1s. 10d. received at one for three on the Sinking Fund Tax, and not then exchanged, equal in Old State-Money to	3153 5 6
To Balance on Tax in State-Money and Certificates due December 1, 1781,	909 13 10
To Ditto on Ditto due July 1, 1782,	39 14 3
To Ditto in State-Money due January 1, 1783,	80 0 0
To Ditto on the Sinking Fund Tax due December 1, 1785, viz. 4 l. 6s. 6d. Lawful Money, equal to, at one for three in Old State-Money,	123 19 6
November 1, 1791.	£. 4423 12 1 1-2

WE, the Committees of Council and Assembly, appointed to settle the Treas---  
to, do find a Balance of One Thousand and Ninety-two Pounds Eight Shillings---  
the Sinking Fund Tax, due December 1, 1785, and not yet exchanged, equal---  
and Ten-pence Half-penny, Old State-Money, remaining in the Hands of---

Dr.

JAMES MOTT, Treasurer,---  
Account Current in---

To Balance due the State in Lawful Money, on Settlement made November 1, 1790.	£. 5383 16 2 1-2
To Balance on Arrears of Taxes levied in Continental Money and reduced to Specie,	101 0 1
To Balance on Tax in Specie, due July 1, 1782,	788 16 4
To Ditto, January 1, 1784,	797 13 10 1-2
To Ditto on State Debt Ditto, December 30, 1787,	239 0 8
To Ditto on Revenue Ditto, December 30, 1788,	29 6 0
To Ditto Ditto, December 30, 1789,	955 15 0
To Ditto on Sinking Fund Ditto, July 10, 1790,	1123 5 9
To Ditto on Tax due December 30, 1790,	29784 18 2
To Ditto on Tax due October 1, 1782, which was payable to the Receiver of Contl. Taxes, £.	102 5 6
To Ditto due January 1, 1783, Ditto,	594 0 2
To Ditto due October 1, 1783, Ditto,	61 14 10
To Ditto due January 1, 1784, Ditto,	1217 5 11
	1975 6 5
Amount carried forward,	£. 41178 18 6



---to the State of NEW-JERSEY,

Cr.

---State-Money.

By Amount of one Voucher No. 1, for Credit allowed John Black, Collector of Burlington County, in Old State-Money, on the Tax due December 1, 1781, agreeably to a Law passed November 26, 1783, and to Ditto passed November 20, 1790, £. 588 4 4

By Amount of Old State-Money, cancelled October 22, 1791, by Benjamin Van Cleve and James Ewing, Esqrs. and burned by a Committee of both Houses, per Certificates, viz.

Of the Emission of June 9, 1780, £. 456 14 2

Ditto, January 9, 1781, 101 8 9

558 2 11

Balance due the State £. 1092 8 3 1-2 Lawful Money, received at one for three on the Sinking Fund Tax, and not exchanged, equal in old State-Money to

3277 4 10 1-2

£. 4423 12 1 1-2

---Treasurer's Accounts, having examined the above, and the Vouchers relative there-  
---and Three-pence Half-penny, Lawful Money, received at one for three on  
---to Three Thousand Two Hundred and Seventy-seven Pounds Four Shillings  
---the said Treasurer, agreeably to the above Statement.

ELLIS COOK,  
JOHN CONDIT,  
BATEMAN LLOYD,  
ISRAEL HEDDEN,  
JOEL FITHIAN,  
JOSHUA M. WALLACE,  
JOHN BLACKWOOD,  
PETER D. VROOM.

---to the State of NEW-JERSEY,

Cr.

---Lawful Money.

By Amount of Nine State Certificates in Abstract No. 1, received of Jonathan Stiles, Esq. former Collector of Morris County, on Account of Arrears of Taxes, levied in Continental Money and reduced to Specie, agreeably to a Resolution passed November 28, 1788, £. 101 0 1

By Ditto of 13 Vouchers from No. 1 to No. 13 inclusive, for Receipts for Interest paid on Continental Certificates, between November 1, 1790, and February 1, 1791, delivered to Aaron Dunham, Esq. Auditor, agreeably to a Resolution, passed November 25, 1790, 649 17 8

By Ditto of sundry Ditto from No. 1 to No. 126 inclusive for Cash paid for one Years Interest on Certificates signed by Silas Condit, Commissioner, 407 19 10

By Ditto of Ditto from No. 1 to No. 168 Ditto for Ditto paid for the second Year's Interest on Ditto, 512 6 6

Amount carried forward £. 1671 4 1

Dr:

JAMES MOTT, Treasurer,---  
Account Current in---

Amount brought forward,	£. 41178 18 6
To Amount received of sundry Persons,	80 1 9
To Ditto received for Licenses,	340 0 0
To Ditto, received of the Commissioners of the New Loan-Offices in the several Counties, on Account of Interest,	5237 6 11
To Ditto received of Ditto, being Loan-Office Money cancelled by their respective Boards of Justices and Freeholders,	3563 1 0

Amount carried forward,

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 £. 50399 8 2



---to the State of NEW-JERSEY,  
---Lawful Money.

Cr.

Amount brought forward	£.	1671	4	1
By Ditto of Ditto from No. 1 to No. 268 Ditto for Ditto paid for the third Year's Interest on Ditto,		1597	1	2
By Ditto of Ditto from No. 1 to No. 407 Ditto for Ditto paid for the fourth Year's Interest on Ditto,		5937	12	11
By Do. of do. from No. 1 to No. 205 ditto for ditto paid for 1 Year's Interest on Certificates given by the Commissioners in the several Counties for Militia Services,		145	18	7
By Ditto of ditto from No. 1 to No. 225 ditto for ditto paid for the second Year's Interest on ditto,		233	8	11
By Ditto of ditto from No. 1 to No. 299 ditto for ditto, paid for the third Year's Interest on ditto,		888	17	4
By Ditto of ditto from No. 1 to No. 431 ditto for ditto paid for the fourth Year's Interest on ditto,		2378	15	11
By Ditto of ditto from No. 1 to No. 24 ditto for ditto paid for one Year's Interest on Notes of Depreciation,		159	16	6
By Ditto of ditto from No. 1 to No. 37 ditto for ditto paid for the second Year's Interest on ditto,		495	18	8
By Ditto of ditto from No. 1 to No. 69 ditto for ditto paid for the third Year's Interest on ditto,		1305	4	2
By Ditto of ditto from No. 1 to No. 122 ditto for ditto paid for the fourth Year's Interest on ditto,		3962	0	8
By Ditto of ditto from No. 1 to No. 56 ditto for ditto paid for the fifth Year's Interest on ditto,		601	15	1
By Ditto of ditto from No. 1 to No. 45 ditto for ditto paid for the sixth Year's Interest on ditto,		464	12	3
✓ By Ditto of ditto from No. 1 to No. 42 ditto for ditto paid for the seventh Year's Interest on ditto,		399	8	9
By Ditto of ditto from No. 1 to No. 52 ditto for ditto paid for one Year's Interest on Certificates given by the Treasurer, for Demands against Forfeited Estates,		198	14	4
By Ditto of ditto from No. 1 to No. 63 ditto for ditto paid for the second Year's Interest on ditto,		261	14	3
By Ditto of ditto from No. 1 to No. 103 ditto for ditto paid for the third Year's Interest on ditto,		588	6	0
By Ditto of ditto from No. 1 to No. 143 ditto for ditto paid for the fourth Year's Interest on ditto,		1591	19	8
By Ditto of ditto from No. 1 to No. 5 ditto for ditto paid for Interest on Certificates given by the Treasurer by Virtue of special Orders from the Legislature,		219	16	1
By Ditto of ditto from No. 1 to No. 71 ditto for ditto paid to the Members of the Legislature for their Wages, and to their Clerks, Doorkeeper and to the Printer,		1455	15	11
By Ditto of ditto from No. 1 to No. 24 ditto for ditto paid to the Officers of Government for their Salaries, and to the Judges of the Supreme Court, for holding Courts of Oyer and Terminer,		2855	14	5
By Ditto of ditto from No. 1 to No. 22 ditto for ditto paid for fundry Incidental Charges,		743	8	9
By Ditto of ditto from No. 1 to No. 33 ditto for ditto paid on Warrants of Half-Pay,		873	7	6

Amount carried forward,

£. 29030 11 11

Dr;

JAMES MOTT, Treasurer,--  
Account Current in---

Amount brought forward, £. 50399 8 2

November 1, 1791.

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£. 50399 8 2

WE, the Committees of Council and Assembly, appointed to settle the Treasurer's Accounts, having examined the above, and the Vouchers relative thereto, viz. No. 1, from no. 1 to no. 13, inclusive, from no. 1 to no. 126 ditto, from no. 1 to no. 168 ditto, from no. 1 to no. 268 ditto, from no. 1 to no. 407 ditto,



---to the State of NEW-JERSEY,  
---Lawful Money.

Cr.

Amount brought forward,	£. 29030 11 11
By Amount of sundry Vouchers from No. 1 to No. 14 inclusive for Cash paid for one Year's Interest on Old State-Money,	40 18 0
By Ditto of ditto from No. 1 to No. 17 ditto for ditto paid for Principal and Interest on 1-4 Notes of Depreciation,	1228 6 10
By Ditto of one ditto No. 1 for Credit in Specie allowed to John Black, Collector of Burlington County, on the Tax due in Specie July 1, 1782, agreeably to a Law passed November 26, 1783, and ditto passed November 20, 1790,	174 7 6
By Ditto of one ditto No. 1 for Cash paid Edward Howell for taking up a Deleter, agreeably to a Law passed June 17, 1780,	3 0 0
By Ditto of one ditto No. 1 for ditto paid Lieutenant John Spear for twelve Cords of Wood, furnished the Troops stationed on the Frontiers in the Year 1782,	12 0 0
By Ditto of sundry ditto from No. 1 to No. 10 inclusive for Cash paid for one Year's Interest on Final Settlement Certificates, signed by John Pierce, Commissioner, which was originally received by John Peck, late Agent to the second Jersey Regiment, and endorsed thereon at that Time, and has since been deposited in the Treasury by him, to be paid to the Proprietors thereof, agreeably to a Resolution passed March 9 1786,	6 16 10
By Ditto of one ditto No. 1 for ditto, paid to Jedidiah Swan, Administrator to Isaac Halfey, Esq. late Paymaster to the Militia of Essex County,	200 0 0
By Ditto of one ditto No. 1 for ditto in Revenue-Money, delivered to Benjamin Van Cleve and James Ewing, Esquires, and cancelled by them May 28, 1791, and burned by a Committee of both Houses, October 28, 1791,	3500 0 0
By Ditto of one ditto No. 1 for ditto in Loan-Office Money, delivered to Benjamin Van Cleve and James Ewing, Esquires, and cancelled by them May 26, 27 and 28, 1791, and burned by a Committee of both Houses, October 28, 1791,	3500 0 0
By Ditto of one ditto No. 1 for ditto in Loan-Office Money, cancelled by the Justices and Freeholders in the several Counties, agreeably to a Law, passed November 24, 1788, delivered to a Committee of both Houses, and burned by them October 29, 1791,	3563 1 0
Balance due the State,	9140 6 1
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	£. 50399 8 2

ditto, from no. 1 to no. 205 ditto, from no. 1 to no. 225 ditto, from no. 1 to no. 299 ditto, from no. 1 to no. 431 ditto, from no. 1 to no. 24 ditto, from no. 1 to no. 37 ditto, from no. 1 to no. 69 ditto, from no. 1 to no. 122 ditto, from no. 1 to no. 56 do. from no 1 to no. 45 do. from no. 1 to no. 42 ditto, from no. 1 to

no. 52 ditto, from no. 1 to no. 63 ditto, from no. 1 to no. 103 ditto, from no. 1 to no. 143 ditto, from no. 1 to no. 5, ditto, from no. 1 to no. 71 ditto, from no. 1 to no. 24 ditto, from no. 1 to no. 22 ditto, from no. 1 to no. 33 ditto, from no. 1 to no. 14 ditto, from no. 1 to no. 17 ditto, no. 1, no. 1, no. 1, from no. 1 to no. 10, inclusive, no. 1, no. 1, no. 1, no. 1, do find a Balance of Nine Thousand

Dr.

JAMES MOTT, Treasurer,---  
Account Current in---

To Amount of 25 Notes of Depreciation, signed by John Stevens, jun. late Treasurer, remaining in the Hands of James Mott, Treasurer, on Settlement made November 1, 1790,

£. 1112 14 0 1-2

To Amount of two Orders from the Auditor for making out Notes of Depreciation, agreeably to a Resolution passed November 15, 1790, viz.

One Order in Favor of Lewis I. Colligin,

for

£. 340 5 7

Ditto, John Polheimus, for

495 19 7

836 5 2

November 1 1791.

£. 1948 19 2 1-2

WE, the Committees of Council and Assembly, appointed to settle the Treasurer's Accounts, having examined the above, and the Vouchers relative thereto, do find Twenty-three Notes of Depreciation, signed by John Stevens, jun. late Treasurer, amounting to One Thousand One Hundred and Six Pounds Eleven

Whereupon, *Ordered*, That the said Report lie on the Table for the Inspection of the Members.

A Petition from a Committee of the Township of *Little Egg-Harbour*, in the County of *Burlington*, desiring that the Petition from the Justices and Freeholders of the said County, read on the 4th Instant, may be dismissed, or that if the House should go into any Measures in Consequence of the said Petition, that they may be heard in Opposition to the Prayer of the said Petition, was read and ordered a second Reading, with the Petition from the Justices and Freeholders of the County of *Burlington*.

*The House adjourned to Three o'Clock, P. M.*

*The House met.*

Mr. *Linn*, from the Committee appointed for that Purpose, reported the Draught of a Bill, intituled, *An Act for regulating and paying the Fees of Coroners*, which was read and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. *Lowrey*, from the Committee to whom was referred the Petition of *Elias Boudinot* and others, reported as follows:

That



land One Hundred and Forty Pounds Six Shillings and One Penny, remaining in the Hands of the said Treasurer, agreeably to the above Statement.

ELLIS COOK,  
JOHN CONDIT,  
BATEMAN LLOYD,  
ISRAEL HEDDEN,  
JOEL FITHIAN,  
JOSHUA M. WALLACE,  
JOHN BLACKWOOD,  
PETER D. VROOM.

---to the State of NEW-JERSEY,

Cr.

---Notes of Depreciation.

By Amount of Three Vouchers, No. 1, 2, and 3, for

Depreciation Notes delivered to sundry Persons, £. 842 7 11

Remaining in the Hands of the Treasurer 23 Notes of

Depreciation, signed by John Stevens, jun. Treasurer, amounting to

1106 11 3 1-2

£. 1948 19 2 1-2

Eleven Shillings and Three-pence Half-penny, remaining in the Hands of the said Treasurer, agreeably to the above Statement.

ELLIS COOK,  
JOHN CONDIT,  
BATEMAN LLOYD,  
ISRAEL HEDDEN,  
JOEL FITHIAN,  
JOSHUA M. WALLACE,  
JOHN BLACKWOOD,  
PETER D. VROOM.

That in the Opinion of your Committee the Petitioners have Leave to bring in a Bill agreeably to the Prayer of the said Petition.

By Order of the Committee,

THOMAS LOWREY.

To which the House agreed.

Whereupon Mr. Lowrey, in Behalf of the Petitioners, presented the Draught of a Bill, intituled, *An Act to incorporate the Contributors to the Society for establishing useful Manufactures, and for the further Encouragement of the said Society*; which Bill was read, and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. Cook, from Council, delivered to this House a Bill, intituled, *An Act for the Punishment of certain Crimes in the State of New-Jersey*, to which Bill he requested the Concurrence of this House.

A Petition from *Stafford*, in the County of *Monmouth*, stating Charges against *Amos Pharo*, Esquire, in the Execution of his Office, as a Magistrate, in the County of *Monmouth*, was read, praying that the said Magistrate may be impeached and displaced; whereupon,

A Question was taken, whether the Charges as exhibited are sufficient to induce this House to go into a further Enquiry into the Truth thereof, and being put, it was carried in the Affirmative.

Ordered

*Ordered*, That the further Consideration thereof be postponed.

Mr. *Little*, from the Committee appointed for that Purpose, reported the Draught of a Bill, intituled, *An Act to raise the Sum of Fifteen Thousand Pounds, in the Year 1791*; which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

*The House adjourned till To-Morrow Morning, Ten o'Clock.*

**Tuesday, November 8, 1791.**

*The House met.*

Mr. *Helmes* and Mr. *Cooper* returned and took their Seats.

The House took into Consideration the Accounts of the Treasurer, reported Yesterday, and agreed to the same, as stated and reported by the Committee.

A Petition from sundry Inhabitants of *Great Egg-Harbour*, praying that their Roads may be directed to be repaired by Hire, and that a Law may be passed for that Purpose, was read and committed to the Committee, to whom was referred other Petitions, respecting the Road Act.

Several Petitions from the County of *Burlington*, praying that a Law may be passed, to direct the Towns, in the several Counties of the State, to choose at their Town-Meetings, Persons whose particular Business it shall be to enforce the Laws for the Suppression of Vice and Immorality, was read and ordered a second Reading.

A Petition from *Gloucester County*, praying that a Law may be passed to direct the Supreme Courts to be held in the several Counties of the State, was read and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. *Condit*, from the Committee to whom was committed the Bill, intituled, *An Act, supplemental to the Act, intituled, An Act to ascertain the Time and Mode of levying Taxes, and the better to enforce the Collection thereof. Passed June 5, 1787*, reported the same with sundry Amendments; which was read, and the further Consideration thereof postponed.

The Bill, intituled, *An Act to incorporate the Contributors to the Society for establishing useful Manufactures, and for the further Encouragement of the said Society*, was read a second Time, and after some Time spent thereon,

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

A Petition from *John Dalley*, a Prisoner, confined in the Gaol of the County of *Suffex*, praying the Benefit of an Act of Insolvency, was read, and ordered a second Reading, with the Bill now before the House.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Charges, which were exhibited against *Amos Pharo*; whereupon,

*Ordered*, That the Petitioners have Leave to produce Evidence before the House, on *Friday*, the 18th instant, in Support of the Charges exhibited against Justice *Amos Pharo*, of the County of *Monmouth*, with giving him six Days Notice of the Time appointed by this House, for a Hearing, and serving him at the same Time with a Copy of the Charges exhibited against him, and that the Clerk be directed to issue Subpœnas for such Witnesses, as the Petitioners may request Subpœnas for.

The Speaker laid before the House a Letter from the Treasurer, accompanied with a Statement of an Account against each Commissioner in the State, of the Old Loan-Office, which was read and ordered a second Reading.

*The House adjourned to Three o'Clock, P. M.*

*The*



*The House met.*

Agreeably to the Order of the Day, on the Petition of *Elnathan Davis*, and others, and the Counter-Petition presented by *Job Butcher*, and others, the Parties were heard before the House for and against the Propriety of Building a Dam across *Stow-Creek*, agreeably to the Prayer of the Petition of the said *Elnathan Davis*, and others, and after some Time spent thereon,

*Ordered*, That the further Consideration thereof be postponed.

The Bill, intituled, *An Act to repeal Part of an Act, to enable the Owners of Tide Swamps and Marshes to improve the same, and the Owners of Meadows already banked in, and held by different Persons, to keep the same in good Repair*, was read a second Time, and committed to Messrs. *Haring, Sharp and Cooper*.

*The House adjourned till To-Morrow Morning Ten o'Clock.*

Wednesday, November 9, 1791.

*The House met.*

Mr. *Hedden*, from the Committee to whom was referred the Petition of *William Bond*, for Demands against the Forfeited Estates of *James Stewart* and *Christopher Inglee*, reported as follows:

That the Demands already exhibited against the said Estates of *Stewart* and *Inglee*, are for a larger Amount than the net Proceeds of said Estates, and that the Prayer of the Petition ought not to be granted.

By Order of the Committee,

ISRAEL HEDDEN.

Whereupon, *Ordered*, That the said Report be filed, and the Petition referred to, dismissed.

Mr. *Linn*, from the Committee, to whom was referred the Petition of *Elijah Allen* and *Thomas Allen*, respecting a Sale made by *Joseph Barton*, of three certain Lots of Land in the County of *Suffex*, to the said Petitioners, reported as follows:

1. That the Deeds made by *Joseph Barton* to the Petitioners of the said Lots of Land contain Clauses of Warrantee for certain Rights of Propriety, but not of the particular Location of said Rights on said Lots of Land.

2. That it doth not appear from the Deeds and Papers produced to the Committee, that the Petitioners have any legal Claims against the Estate of said *Joseph Barton*.

By Order of the Committee,

JAMES LINN.

Whereupon, *Ordered*, That the said Petitions, which were referred to the said Committee, be dismissed.

Mr. *Haring*, from the Committee to whom was referred the Bill, intituled, *An Act to repeal Part of an Act, to enable the Owners of the Tide Swamps and Marshes to improve the same, and the Owners of Meadows already banked in, and held by different Persons, to keep the same in good Repair*, reported the same with sundry Amendments, which being read,

*Ordered*, That the further Consideration thereof be postponed.

Agreeably to Order the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to take into Consideration the Bill, intituled, *An Act to incorporate the Contributors to the Society for establishing useful Manufactures, and for the further Encouragement of the said Society*; whereupon,

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The Speaker left the Chair, and Mr. *Haring* was appointed Chairman of the Committee, and after some Time spent thereon,

The Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. *Haring* reported, that the Committee had made some Progress in the Business to them referred, and desired Leave to sit again.

To which the House agreed.

*The House adjourned to Three o'Clock, P. M.*

*The House met.*

A Petition from *Peter Schenck*, praying that a Bond, in the Hands of the Treasurer, belonging to him, for Monies due him from the Estate of *Thomas Leonard*, may be delivered to him, that he may proceed for the Recovery of the Balance due; and that the Treasurer may be directed to make a Dividend of the Estate of *John Williams*, whose Estate was confiscated to, and vested in this State, in Favor of his Creditors; which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

A Petition from the Inhabitants of the County of *Middlesex*, praying that a Law may be passed, directing that the County of *Middlesex* should hold their Elections in future in the respective Townships, was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the Act to incorporate the Contributors to the Society for establishing useful Manufactures, and for the further Encouragement of the said Society; whereupon,

The Speaker left the Chair, and Mr. *Haring* took the Chair of the Committee, and after some Time spent thereon,

The Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. *Haring*, Chairman of the Committee, reported, that the Committee had made further Progress in the Bill to them committed, and desired Leave to sit again.

To which the House agreed.

The Members withdrew to attend a Joint-Meeting, and being returned, the Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Accounts against the Commissioners of the Old Loan-Office, was read a second Time: whereupon,

*Ordered*, That Messrs. *Condit*, *Hedden*, *Imlay*, *Clark* and *Cooper*, take Charge of the said Accounts examine the same, and report thereon.

*The House adjourned till To-Morrow Morning, Nine o'Clock.*

Thursday, November 10, 1791.

*The House met.*

A Petition from *Charles Suydam*, and sundry Petitions from the Counties of *Somerset* and *Middlesex*, praying that a Law may be passed to authorize the keeping up of the Mill-Dam of *Charles Suydam*, on *Raritan River*, were read, and ordered a second Reading.

A Petition from *Samuel Kelly*, of the County of *Somerset*, praying to be allowed by the State, for 30l. Loan-Office Money, by him bundled up for the Purpose of discharging his Loan-Office Mortgage, and which was bound, together with his House, on the 7th of *January* last, was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Bill, intituled, *A Supplement to the Act, intituled, An Act to regulate and fix the Times for holding the Court of Appeals and Errors*, was read a second Time, debated, and ordered a third Reading.



On Motion,

The House again resolved itself into a Committee of the whole on the Bill, intituled, *An Act to incorporate the Contributors to the Society for establishing useful Manufactures, and for the further Encouragement of the said Society*; whereupon,

The Speaker left the Chair, and Mr. *Haring* took the Chair of the Committee, and after some time spent thereon,

The Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. *Haring*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the said Bill, with the several Amendments made thereto by the Committee, which was read, and the further Consideration thereof postponed.

*The House adjourned to Three o'Clock, P. M.*

*The House met.*

A Petition from sundry Inhabitants of the County of *Somerset*, praying that such Laws as prevent Magistrates from holding their Courts in public Houses, may be repealed, was read and dismissed.

Agreeably to the Order of the Day the House went into the Hearing of *John Stevens*; jun. late Treasurer, respecting the Settlement of his Accounts, and by his Council, *Abraham Ogden*, offered to leave with the House certain Extracts, which he said were Extracts from his Books.

On the Question, whether the Books produced by Mr. *Stevens* are so far satisfactory to the House, as to induce them to proceed thereon to a Settlement with Mr. *Stevens*, it was unanimously determined in the Negative.

*The House adjourned till To-Morrow Morning, Ten o'Clock.*

**Friday, November 11, 1791.**

*The House met.*

Mr. *Woodruff*, from the Committee to whom was referred the Bill, intituled, *An Act to prevent the public Records being removed by Writs of Subpœna*, reported the same, with sundry Amendments, which was read and debated.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be engrossed.

The order of the Day being called for, on the Petition of *Nicholas Van Horne* and others, for the Repeal of a Meadow-Law, in the County of *Salem*, whereupon the Petition of the said *Nicholas Van Horne*, and others, was read; and the Speaker laid before the House a Petition from the said *Nicholas Van Horne*, praying further Time to come forward, with a Bill to answer the Prayer of his former Petition.

Also, The Speaker laid before the House a Petition from *Ephraim Lloyd*, and others, praying that the said *Nicholas Van Horne*, and others, may not be indulged with the Prayer of their Petition, and the said *Ephraim Lloyd* and *William Robinson*, attending to oppose the Prayer of the said first mentioned Petition, and no one attending in Support thereof,

*Ordered*, That the said Petition and Application of the said *Nicholas Van Horne*, and others, be dismissed, and that the Petition from *Ephraim Lloyd*, and others, be filed.

The Petition from *Charles Suydam*, and the Inhabitants of the Counties of *Somerset* and *Middlesex*, read Yesterday Morning, was read a second Time; whereupon,

*Ordered*, That *Charles Suydam* have Leave to present a Bill on the second

*Thursday*

*Thursday* of the next Sitting, to answer the Prayer of the said Petition, on advertising the Purport of the Bill he means to present, with a Copy of this Order, four weeks previous thereto, in the *New-Brunswick Gazette*, and also in three of the most public Places in the County of *Somerset*.

Three Petitions from the Inhabitants of *Hunterdon County*, praying that a Law may be passed, to direct the County Business to be done in *Flemming-Town*, were read, and ordered a second Reading.

A Petition from *William Maxwell*, and others, Commissioners appointed by an Act of Assembly, for building Bridges over the Rivers *Passaick* and *Hackinsack* and other Purposes therein mentioned, setting forth how far they have proceeded in the Business of their Appointment, and praying the Aid of a further Lottery, the better to enable them to pursue the Objects of their Appointment, was read and ordered a second Reading.

A Petition from *George Warne*, late a Commissioner of Forfeited Estates, of the County of *Suffex*, praying to be exonerated from the Payment of any Monies, on a Judgment obtained against himself and *William Bond*, the other Commissioner, against whom a Judgment hath been entered, and Execution issued, on his shewing that he hath paid forward all the Monies by him received, to the Treasurer of the State, and that a Committee may be appointed to examine his Accounts, was read, and referred to Messrs. *Van Cleve*, *Sharp* and *Clark*, to report thereon.

Agreeably to the Order of the Day, on the Report of Mr. *Van Cleve*, of the 5th instant, on the Petitions of *James Parker*, and others, the House went into a Hearing of the Parties. Mr. *Parker*, attending on the Part of the Petitioners, and Mr. *Kirkpatrick*, attending on the Part of the Subscribers, for building the Bridge.

Whereupon, A Motion was made, that the said Petition of *James Parker*, and others, should be dismissed.

On the Question, whether the House agree thereto? It was negatived as follows :

Nays.	Nays.	Yeas.
Mr. <i>Anderson</i> ,	Mr. <i>Lowrey</i> ,	Mr. <i>Fithian</i> ,
Mr. <i>Berry</i> ,	Mr. <i>Lloyd</i> ,	Mr. <i>Smith</i> .
Mr. <i>Bidleman</i> ,	Mr. <i>Newbold</i> ,	
Mr. <i>Blackwood</i> ,	Mr. <i>Runyan</i> ,	
Mr. <i>Burgin</i> ,	Mr. <i>Sharp</i> ,	
Mr. <i>Clark</i> ,	Mr. <i>Sinnickson</i> ,	
Mr. <i>Combs</i> ,	Mr. <i>Starke</i> ,	
Mr. <i>Condiſt</i> ,	Mr. <i>Stockton</i> ,	
Mr. <i>Cooper</i> ,	Mr. <i>E. Townsend</i> ,	
Mr. <i>Dayton</i> ,	Mr. <i>R. Townsend</i> ,	
Mr. <i>D. Vroom</i> ,	Mr. <i>Van Cleve</i> ,	
Mr. <i>Haring</i> ,	Mr. <i>Vredenberg</i> ,	
Mr. <i>Helmes</i> ,	Mr. <i>Wallace</i> ,	
Mr. <i>Imlay</i> ,	Mr. <i>Whillden</i> ,	
Mr. <i>Kingsland</i> ,	Mr. <i>Woodruff</i> .	
Mr. <i>Little</i> ,		

Upon which the House proceeded in the Hearing before them, and after some Time spent thereon,

Ordered, That the further Consideration thereof be postponed.

The Petition of *Thomas Lowrey*, praying that the Treasurer may be directed to obtain an Assignment, on a certain Mortgage therein referred, was read and committed to Messrs. *Williamson*, *Condiſt* and *Liun*.



*The House adjourned to Three o'Clock, P. M.*

*The House met.*

The Bill, intitled, *A Supplement to the Act, intitled, An Act to regulate and fix the Times for holding the Courts of Appeals and Errors*, was read a third Time.

*Resolved unanimously*, That the same do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Imlay do carry the said Bill to Council, and acquaint them that the same is passed by this House without Amendment.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Hearing of the Witnesses before them, on the Petition of *James Parker*, and others, and after having gone through the Examination of the Evidence offered before them,

*Ordered*, That the further Consideration thereof be postponed.

Mr. Sharp, with Leave, presented the Draught of a Bill, intitled, *An Act, directing the Mode of taking the Minutes of the Courts of Oyer and Terminer, and General Gaol Delivery, and Nisi Prius*; which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

*The House adjourned till To-Morrow Morning, Nine o'Clock.*

**Saturday, November 12, 1791.**

*The House met.*

Mr. Burgin, from the Committee to whom was referred the Petition and Remonstrance of *Fulkert Dow*, late Sergeant in the First Jersey Regiment, and *Joseph Stull*, *John Stewart*, *John Vanarsdalen*, *Peter Vanderbergh*, and *Abraham Voorheese*, Privates, reported as follows:

That it is the Opinion of your Committee, that the Prayer of the Petitioners cannot with Propriety be allowed.

By Order of the Committee,

JOHN BURGIN.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be read a second Time.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Little, and Mr. Stillwell have Leave of Absence until Thursday next.

A Petition from *Jonathan I. Foree*, late a Soldier in the New-Jersey Line, praying that he may receive the Depreciation of his Pay, while in the Service, was read, and ordered a second Reading, with Mr. Woodruff's Report.

Mr. Van Cleve, with Leave, presented the Draught of a Bill, intitled, *An Act to repeal the third Section of an Act, intitled, An Act to empower the Freeholders chosen in each County of this Colony, or the major Part of them, in Conjunction with three Justices of the Peace, to direct the Method of assessing the Inhabitants of each County, and to restrain the unnecessary Meetings of the said Freeholders*; which was read; whereupon,

The Speaker laid before the House a Petition from the County of *Hunterdon*, praying that the same may pass; which was also read, and ordered a second Reading.

A Petition from *Gloucester County* was read, praying that a Law may pass to direct the Supreme Court to be held in the several Counties, and ordered a second Reading, with the Bill from Council, intitled, *An Act for the regular holding of the Courts of Oyer and Terminer, and General Gaol Delivery, and Nisi Prius, &c.*

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intituled, *An Act to incorporate the Contributors to the Society for establishing useful Manufactures, and for the further Encouragement of the said Society*; and after some Time spent thereon,

*Ordered*, That the further Consideration thereof be postponed.

Mr. *Sharp*, with Leave, presented the Draught of a Bill, intituled, *An Act for the more easy Partition of Lands, held by Co-parceners, Joint-Tenants, and Tenants in common*; which Bill was read, and ordered a second Reading.

A Petition from sundry Inhabitants of the County of *Morris*, praying a Repeal of the Law for draining the Low Lands in the said County, as far as affects the Owners of Lands, lying on *Passaick River*, between *Chatham Mill* and the Bridge across said River, near Colonel *Ellis Cook's*, was read, and ordered to be filed.

A Petition from sundry Inhabitants of *Bergen, Essex, and Morris*, praying that all Persons who derive a Benefit and Improvement to their Lands, by the Canal lately dug through the Low Lands, from *Pine-Brook* to the *Deep-a-Vall* may be compelled to contribute in Proportion to the Advantages they receive thereby, was read, and ordered to be filed.

A Petition from the Trustees of the *Presbyterian Church*, at *Rahway*, in the County of *Essex*, praying the Benefit of a Lottery, the better to enable them to raise Money for the Repair of their Church, &c. was read, and ordered a second Reading.

A Petition from *John Baird*, of the County of *Monmouth*, praying Leave to raise a Sum of Money by a Lottery, the better to enable him to discharge his Debts, was read,

On the Question, whether the same be read a second Time? It was carried in the Negative.

The House took into Consideration the Subject Matter of the Hearing before them Yesterday; whereupon,

*Ordered*, That the said Petitions before the House, on which the Hearing was given, and the Papers accompanying the same, be dismissed.

The Petition of *John Middleton*, praying that the State would make him a Compensation for his Servant, who was enlisted in the Service of the United States, and who continued in that Service, was read, and ordered to be dismissed.

*The House adjourned to Three o'Clock, P. M.*

*The House met.*

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intituled, *An Act to incorporate the Contributors to the Society for establishing useful Manufactures, and for the further Encouragement of the said Society*; and after some Time spent thereon,

*Ordered*, That the further Consideration thereof be postponed.

*The House adjourned till To-Morrow Morning, Ten o'Clock.*

Monday, November 14, 1791.

*The House met.*

The Speaker laid before the House a Bond executed by *James Mott*, Esquire, Treasurer of the State, with Securities; for the faithful discharge of his Office, which was read, whereupon,

*Resolved*,



*Resolved*, That the same is satisfactory.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Fithian* do carry the said Bond to the Council and request their Concurrence therein.

A Petition from sundry Inhabitants of *Morris* County, praying that a Commissioner may be appointed to receive and certify what is due to Individuals, on Contractors Notes, and surplus Certificates, &c. was read.

On the Question, whether the said Petitions be read a second Time ; it was carried in the Negative.

The Petition from *Middlesex*, read on the 9th Instant, was read a second Time ; whereupon,

The Speaker presented four several Petitions from *Morris* County, praying an Alteration in the Election Law, which were read and committed to Messrs. *Woodruff*, *Condict*, *Sharp*, *Combs*, and *Runyan*.

A Petition from *William Darling*, stating a Demand against the Estate of *Cavalier Jout*, which was confiscated and vested in this State, and praying Payment from the State, was read and committed to Messrs. *Condict*, *D. Vroom*, and *Van Cleve*.

A Petition from *Matthew Harrison*, stating a Demand against the forfeited Estate of *George Howard*, and praying Relief, was read and Committed to Messrs. *Condict*, *D. Vroom*, and *Van Cleve*.

A Petition from *Cornelius Stout*, praying, for Reasons therein contained, that *Thomas Prall*, now confined in *Hunterdon* Gaol, may not receive the Benefit of an Act of Insolvency, was read, and ordered to be read a second Time, with the Insolvent Act before the House.

A Petition from sundry Inhabitants of the Counties of *Middlesex* and *Hunterdon*, owning Lands on *Stony-Brook*, praying Leave to present a Bill to direct the Logs and other Obstructions in the free Course of the Waters of said *Stony Brook* to be removed, and to provide for the Expence, was read, and ordered a second Reading.

A Petition from *John Freeland*, stating a Demand against the State, for his Services as a Soldier in the 1st *New-Jersey* Regiment, was read, and praying Payment,

*Ordered*, That the same be read a second Time.

A Petition from *Chesterfield* in the County of *Burlington*, praying that a Law may pass to direct the Roads of that Township to be repaired by Hire, was read and committed to Messrs. *Cooper*, *Linn*, *Stillwell*, *Woodruff*, and *Sharp*.

The Petition from Owners of Lands on *Affinpink*, praying leave to present a Bill to direct the Logs and other Obstructions to the free Course of the Waters of *Affinpink*, to be removed, was read a second Time ; whereupon,

The Speaker laid before the House a Petition from sundry Inhabitants along the said Creek, praying that the Law, if passed, might not affect the Proprietors of Lands adjacent to the said Creek, below *Jonathan Hutchinson's* Mill, which was read.

*Ordered*, That the first mentioned Petitioners have Leave to present a Bill to answer the Prayer of their Petition.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill intituled *An Act to incorporate the Contributors to the Society for establishing useful Manufactures, and for the further Encouragement of the said Society*, and after some Time spent thereon,

*Ordered*, That the further Consideration thereof be postponed.

*The House adjourned to Three o'Clock, P. M.*

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*The House met.*

Mr. Hedden returned and took his Seat.

A Memorial from *Joseph Hugg*, praying that the Treasurer may be directed to receive certain Certificates in his Hands, and by him received as Loan-Officer, in Discharge of Loan-Office Mortgages, due to the Old Loan-Office, in the County of *Gloucester*, was read and committed to the Committee, to whom was referred the Statement of the Deficiencies, due from the several Counties to the Old Loan-Office.

The Report of Mr. *Woodruff*, of the 5th instant, with the Papers accompanying the same, was read a second Time, and after some Time spent thereon,

*Ordered*, That the said Report and the Papers accompanying the same, be re-committed to the same Committee.

The House returned the Consideration of the Bill, intituled, *An Act to incorporate the Contributors to the Society for establishing useful Manufactures, and for the further Encouragement of the said Society*, and after some Time spent thereon,

*Ordered*, That the further Consideration thereof be postponed.

Mr. *Ellis*, from the Council, informed the House, that Council approve of the Bond given by *James Mott*, Esquire, for the faithful Execution of his Office, as Treasurer.

*The House adjourned till To-Morrow Morning Nine o'Clock.*

**Tuesday, November 15, 1791.**

*The House met.*

Mr. *Little* and Mr. *Stillwell*, returned and took their Seats.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intituled, *An Act to incorporate the Contributors to the Society for establishing useful Manufactures, and for the further Encouragement of the said Society*, and after having gone through the same,

*Ordered*, That the same be engrossed.

The Bill from Council, intituled, *An Act for the regular Holding of the Courts of Oyer and Terminer, and General Gaol Delivery, and Nisi Prius, in the several Counties of this State, and for other Purposes therein mentioned*, was read a second Time.

On the Question, whether the House agree to the Title of the said Bill; it was carried in the Negative, as follows :

Nays.	Nays.	Yeas.
Mr. <i>Burgin</i>	Mr. <i>Runyan</i>	Mr. <i>Anderson</i>
Mr. <i>Combs</i>	Mr. <i>Sharp</i>	Mr. <i>Berry</i>
Mr. <i>Condict</i>	Mr. <i>Smith</i>	Mr. <i>Bidleman</i>
Mr. <i>D. Vroom</i>	Mr. <i>Starke</i>	Mr. <i>Blackwood</i>
Mr. <i>Hankinson</i>	Mr. <i>Stillwell</i>	Mr. <i>Clark</i>
Mr. <i>Haring</i>	Mr. <i>Stockton</i>	Mr. <i>Dayton</i>
Mr. <i>Helmes</i>	Mr. <i>R. Townsend</i>	Mr. <i>Fithian</i>
Mr. <i>Kingland</i>	Mr. <i>Van Cleve</i>	Mr. <i>Hedden</i>
Mr. <i>Linn</i>	Mr. <i>Whillden</i>	Mr. <i>Imlay</i>
Mr. <i>Little</i>	Mr. <i>Williamson</i>	Mr. <i>Lloyd</i>
	Mr. <i>Woodruff</i>	Mr. <i>Newbold</i>
		Mr. <i>Sinnickson</i>
		Mr. <i>E. Townsend</i>
		Mr. <i>Vredenberg</i>
		Mr. <i>Wallace</i> .



*Ordered*, That the said Bill be dismissed.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Hankinson* do wait on the Council, and acquaint them, that the said Bill is negatived by this House.

On Motion,

*Ordered*, That Messrs. *Woodruff*, *Sharp*, *Van Cleve*, *Linn* and *Williamson*, be a Committee to prepare and present a Bill for holding of Courts of Oyer and Terminer, and General Gaol Delivery, and Nisi Prius, in the several Counties of this State.

The Bill, intituled, *An Act, directing the Mode of taking the Minutes of the Courts of Oyer and Terminer, and General Gaol Delivery, and Nisi Prius*, was read a second Time, and committed to the Committee last appointed.

The Bill, intituled, *An Act to authorize Stacy Biddle, of the County of Burlington, his Heirs, and Assigns, to erect and maintain a Dam, for the Purpose of accommodating Mills across the North Branch of Rancocas, above a Place called Slab-Bridge*, was read a second Time, debated, and ordered to be engrossed.

The Bill, intituled, *An Act for the Punishment of certain Crimes, in the State of New-Jersey*, was read a second Time, debated, and ordered a third Reading.

*The House adjourned to Three o'Clock, P. M.*

*The House met.*

Mr. *Van Cleve*, from the Committee to whom was committed the Petition of *George Warne*, reported as follows :

That in their Opinion, the Laws of this State, now in Force, are adequate to give Relief to the Petitioner.

By Order of the Committee.

BENJAMIN VAN CLEVE.

Which Report was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The engrossed Bill, intituled, *An Act to authorize Stacy Biddle, of the County of Burlington, his Heirs, and Assigns, to erect and maintain a Dam, for the Purpose of accommodating Mills across the North Branch of Rancocas, above a Place called Slab-Bridge*, was read and compared.

*Resolved*, That the same do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Haring* do carry the said Bill to the Council for Concurrence.

The Bill, intituled, *An Act for the Punishment of certain Crimes, in State of New-Jersey*, was read a third Time.

*Resolved*, That the same do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That *Haring* do carry the said Bill to the Council, and acquaint them, that the same is passed by this House without Amendment.

A Petition from *Samuel Ogden*, Executor of the last Will and Testament of *Sarah Morris*, deceased, stating a Demand against the forfeited Estate of *David Ogden*, was read, praying, that the Treasurer may be directed to provide for the Payment of the said Demand.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition be referred to Messrs. *Woodruff*, *Condict*, and *Wallace*.

The Speaker laid before the House a Letter from *Abraham Ogden*, of Council, with *John Stevens, jun.* informing, that he is attending with his original Books, so far as they go to authenticate the Transcripts offered on *Thursday last* ;

that they are ready for the Inspection of such Members, as the House may appoint, to the End, that they may be compared, with the Copies, and the Copies be thereby authenticated ; which was read, and Mr. Ogden attending, was heard before the House on the Subject of his Application, and the Attorney-General was heard in Opposition to the Propositions of Mr. Ogden.

A Motion was made, that a Committee be appointed to examine the said Transcripts, compare the same with the Originals, and report thereon.

On the Question, whether the House agree to the said Motion ; it was carried in the Negative.

*Ordered*, That the further Consideration thereof be postponed.

Mr. Ogden, from Council, delivered to this House a Bill, intituled, *An Act to authorize and empower the Rector, Churchwardens, and Vestrymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church, called Christ's Church, in the City of New-Brunswick, to erect a Lottery, for the Purpose therein mentioned*, to which he requested the Concurrence of this House ; which Bill was read, and ordered a second Reading.

*The House adjourned till To-Morrow Morning, Nine o'Clock.*

Wednesday, November 16, 1791.

*The House met.*

*Ordered*, That Mr. Combs have Leave of Absence.

Mr. Condict, from the Committee to whom was referred the Petition of *Matthew Harrison*, reported as follows :

That they have examined the Treasury Books, and find that there is no Money in the Hands of the Treasurer of the forfeited Estate of *George Howard*, and that the adjudicated Claims against the Estate of *Alexander Watson* exceed the Amount of the same in the Treasury.

Your Committee are therefore of Opinion, that the Prayer of the said Petition cannot be granted.

By Order of the Committee,

SILAS CONDUCT.

To which the House agreed ; whereupon,

*Ordered*, That the said Petition be dismissed.

Mr. Condict, from the Committee, to whom was referred the Petition of *William Darling*, reported as follows :

That *Cavalier Jouet*, for Value received, did assign a Debt due to him from *Benjamin Williams*, on Bill unto *Thomas Darling*, that the said *Williams* was prosecuted for the Monies due on the said Bill, and delivered from Gaol by an Act of Insolvency, and no Recovery had ; it therefore appears to your Committee, that the Executors of the said *Thomas Darling*, have a just Claim upon the Estate of the said *Jouet*, for the Sum of 32l. 13s. 4d. with Interest from the 14th of June, 1774.

That in the Opinion of your Committee, if the Proceeds of the Estate of the said *Jouet*, now in the Treasury will admit, the Petitioner ought to receive the Amount of the said Demand, in the usual Mode of discharging such Debts.

By Order of the Committee,

SILAS CONDUCT.

Which Report was read, and ordered a second Reading.

A Petition from sundry Freeholders and Inhabitants, of the County of *Hunterdon*, praying that a Law may pass, appointing Commissioners, with full Power and Authority, to sell and convey all the Islands in the River *Delaware*, belonging



ing to this State, for the Use and Benefit of the State, was read, and committed to Messrs. *Fithian, Woodruff, Condict, Anderson, and Clark.*

A Petition from *Samp-town*, in the County of *Middlesex*, stating, that the First-Day Baptist Society have not a Meeting-House, and praying the Benefit of a Lottery, to enable them to erect a Meeting-House, for the public Worship of God, was read, and ordered a second Reading.

A Petition from the County of *Middlesex*, praying, that Money may be raised by a Tax on the County, for the Repair of the Road leading from *Woodbridge* to the two *Blazing-Star Ferries*, was read and committed to the Committee on the Road Act.

Ordered, That Messrs. *Anderson, Blackwood, and D. Vroom*, be added to the Committee on the Road Act.

A Petition from *Jacob Arnold*, late Sheriff of the County of *Morris*, praying to be relieved, for the Reasons therein contained, from the Payment of a Fine imposed on *James Knox*, for which he had, by discharging the Prisoner, made himself accountable, was read, and the Petition in favor of *Daniel Freeman's* Creditors was read a second Time, and committed to Messrs. *Dayton, Condict, and Hedden.*

A Petition from sundry Inhabitants of *Gloucester* County, praying a Revision of the Penal Laws, of this State, was read and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. *Woodruff*, with Leave presented the Draught of a Bill, intituled *An Act to provide suitable Buildings for the Accommodation of the Legislature and Public Offices of this State*, which was read and ordered a second Reading.

A Petition from *Gerrad Watson* and *Miles Sherbrook*, Attornies of *James Perry* and *Thomas Hays*, stating a Demand against the State, and praying a Direction to the Treasurer to make them satisfaction for their Claim, was read and committed to Messrs. *Williamson, Haring, and Imlay.*

The Bill, intituled, *An Act to direct the Treasurer to deliver unto Jacob Fries, a certain Certificate in his Hands*, was read a second Time, debated, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Petition from *Jacob West*, stating a Demand against the State, and praying Payment, was read, and committed to Messrs. *Van Cleve, Woodruff, Little, Newbold, and Harkinson*, to report thereon.

The Bill, intituled, *An Act to authorize and empower the Rector, Churchwardens, and Vestrymen, of the Protestant Episcopal Church, called Christ's Church, in the City of New-Brunswick, to erect a Lottery, for the Purpose therein mentioned*, was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The Petition from the Societies of *Hackinsack* and *Schralenbergh*, read on the 3<sup>rd</sup> ultimo, praying the Benefit of a Lottery, the better to enable them to rebuild and repair their Churches, was read a second Time; whereupon,

Ordered, That the Petitioners have Leave to present a Bill to answer the Prayer of their Petition.

A Memorial from *Jeremiah Clark*, praying that a Law may be passed, to direct the Treasurer to refund to him the Value of 900l. Continental Currency, being a part of the Sum of 1000l. paid into the Treasury by *Israel Hedden*, Esq. late Sheriff of *Essex*, for a fine imposed on him, for a Misdemeanor, which Fine appears to have been 100l. and no more, was read.

Ordered, That the Petitioner have Leave to present a Bill, to answer the Prayer of the said Petition.

A Petition from *William Donaldson*, praying the Depreciation of his Pay, while in the Service of the United States, was read, and committed to Messrs. *Woodruff, Imlay, and Blackwood.*

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*The House adjourned to Three o'Clock, P. M.*

*The House met.*

The engrossed Bill, intituled, *An Act to direct the Treasurer to deliver unto Jacob Fries, a certain Certificate in his Hands*, was read and compared.

*Resolved unanimously*, That the same do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Hedden do carry the said Bill to the Council for Concurrence.

Mr. Beardlee, from Council, informed the House, that the Bill, intituled, *An Act to authorize Stacy Biddle, of the County of Burlington, his Heirs and Assigns, to erect and maintain a Dam, for the Purpose of accommodating Mills across the North Branch of Rancocas, above a Place called Slab-Bridge*, is passed by Council without Amendment.

The Bill, intituled, *An Act, supplemental to the Act, intituled, An Act to ascertain the Time and Mode of levying Taxes, and the better to enforce the Collection thereof*, passed June 5th, 1787, was read a second Time, and after some Time spent thereon,

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be committed to Messrs. Linn, Hankinsohn, and Helmes.

Mr. Condict, from the Committee, to whom was referred, the Statement of the Old Loan-Office Accounts, having made some Enquiry into the said Statement, do find, that the Treasurer hath not sufficient Documents in his Possession to ascertain the Balances that doth, or may remain due from the respective Counties, and it appears to your Committee, that the necessary Information can only be had from the Books of Mortgages, and Books of Accounts, directed to be kept by the Old Loan-Officers of the several Counties in this State; they likewise suggest to the House the Propriety of the following Resolution, viz.

That the Board of Justices and Freeholders of the respective Counties of this State be, and are hereby required to transmit to the Treasurer of this State, all the Books of Mortgages, and Books of Accounts, which by Law were directed to be kept by the respective Commissioners of the Old Loan-Office of the several Counties, except such as contain Mortgages unsatisfied, or Accounts unsettled, on or before the first Day of *September* next, unless previous to that Time the said Boards shall produce satisfactory Vouchers to the Treasurer, for the Monies paid in Discharge of the Quota of the Money received by the Commissioner of the said Loan-Office in such County, and that the Treasurer serve, or cause to be served, a Copy of this Resolution, on the Clerk of the respective Counties in this State, before the first Day of *May* next, and the said Clerk shall lay the same before the Board, at their next stated annual Meeting.

And your Committee further report, that in Cases where Certificates have been paid to any of the Commissioners of the said Old Loan-Office, and not yet paid into the Treasury, and on which no Interest hath since been paid; it is the Opinion of your Committee, that the Treasurer be directed to receive the same, and discount the Interest on so much of the said Loan Office Debt, from the Time that the said Certificates were paid and assigned to the said Commissioners for that Purpose, provided the same are presented to the Treasurer, on or before the first Day of *March* next.

By Order of the Committee,

SILAS CONDUCT.

Which Report was read, and ordered a second Reading.

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The Committee, to whom was referred the Petition of *William Griffiths*, Esq. report,

That whereas by the Constitution of this State, it is declared, " That the common Law of England, as well as so much of the Statute-Law, as have been heretofore practised, in this Colony, shall still remain in Force, until they shall be altered by a future Law of the Legislature, such Parts only excepted, as are repugnant to the Rights and Privileges contained in this Charter : " And whereas, such of the said Statutes, as have been generally supposed to extend to the late Coony, and to this State, as well as the Laws of this State, are contained in a great Number of Volumes. And whereas, many of the Acts of this State, contained in said Volumes, are repealed or expired, or Amendments and Alterations made thereto by subsequent Acts.

Your Committee recommend to the House the passing of a Law, authorising and appointing certain Persons to collect and reduce into proper Form, under certain Heads or Titles of Bills, all the said Statutes, and Acts of Assembly, and lay the same before the Legislature of this State, from Time to Time, as they shall prepare the same, that such of them as may be approved of by the Legislature, may be enacted into Laws of this State.

By Order of the Committee,

A. D. WOODRUFF.

Ordered, That the said Report be read a second Time.

The Bill, intituled, *An Act to authorize and empower the Rector, Churchwardens, and Vestrymen, of the Protestant Episcopal Church, called Christ's Church, in the City of New-Brunswick, to erect a Lottery, for the Purpose therein mentioned*, was read a third Time.

On the Question, whether the said Bill do pass? It was carried in the Affirmative, as follows :

Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Mr. Berry	Mr. Linn	Mr. Anderson
Mr. Bidleman	Mr. Little	Mr. Blackwood
Mr. Burgin	Mr. Runyan	Mr. Clark
Mr. Condit	Mr. Starke	Mr. Fithian
Mr. Dayton	Mr. Stillwell	Mr. Haring
Mr. D. Vroom	Mr. Stockton	Mr. Lloyd
Mr. Hankinson	Mr. Van Cleve	Mr. Newbold
Mr. Hedden	Mr. Vredenberg	Mr. Sharp
Mr. Helmes	Mr. Williamson	Mr. E. Townsend
Mr. Kingland	Mr. Woodruff	Mr. R. Townsend
		Mr. Wallace
		Mr. Whilden.

Ordered, That the Speaker do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. Helmes do carry the said Bill to the Council, and acquaint them that the same is passed by this House without Amendment.

Mr. Fithian, with Leave, presented the Draught of a Bill, intituled, *An Act for promoting useful Knowledge*, which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

On Motion,

Ordered, That Messrs. Dayton, Linn, Woodruff, Fithian, and Hedden, be a Committee to prepare and present a Bill, to repeal so much of the Laws of this State, as prevent the Drawing of Lotteries for the Benefit of Religious Societies.

Mr. Berry, agreeably to Leave given, and in Behalf of the Petitioners, presented the Draught of a Bill, intituled, *An Act to authorize the Minister, Elders, and Deacons of the Reformed Congregations of Hackinsack, and Schralenbergh, in the County of Bergen, to erect and draw a Lottery, for the Purposes therein mentioned*; which Bill was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Speaker laid before the House a Letter from the Treasurer, requesting Direction respecting the Payment of Interest on certain Certificates by him issued to *Thomas Fennimore*, and *Moore Furman*, Esquires; which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

*The House adjourned till To-Morrow Morning, Ten o'Clock.*

Thursday, November 17, 1791.

*The House met.*

A Petition from *Barnes I. Smock*, praying to be re-imburfed the Consideration Money paid forward to the Treasurer, for a confiscated Estate, which has been recovered from him, was read, and committed to Messrs. *Little, Haring, and Starke*.

The engrossed Bill, intituled, *An Act to incorporate the Contributors to the Society for establishing useful Manufactures, and for the further Encouragement of the said Society*, was read and compared.

On the Question, whether the same do pass? It was carried in the Affirmative, as follows:

Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Mr. <i>Anderson</i> ,	Mr. <i>Lloyd</i> ,	Mr. <i>Berry</i> ,
Mr. <i>Bidleman</i> ,	Mr. <i>Newbold</i> ,	Mr. <i>Haring</i> ,
Mr. <i>Blackwood</i> ,	Mr. <i>Runyan</i> ,	Mr. <i>Little</i> ,
Mr. <i>Burgin</i> ,	Mr. <i>Sinnickson</i> ,	Mr. <i>Sharp</i> .
Mr. <i>Clark</i> ,	Mr. <i>Starke</i> ,	
Mr. <i>Condict</i> ,	Mr. <i>Stillwell</i> ,	
Mr. <i>Dayton</i> ,	Mr. <i>Stockton</i> ,	
Mr. <i>D. Vroom</i> ,	Mr. <i>E. Townsend</i> ,	
Mr. <i>Fithian</i> ,	Mr. <i>R. Townsend</i> ,	
Mr. <i>Hankinson</i> ,	Mr. <i>Van Cleve</i> ,	
Mr. <i>Hedden</i> ,	Mr. <i>Vredenbergh</i> ,	
Mr. <i>Helmes</i> ,	Mr. <i>Wallace</i> ,	
Mr. <i>Imlay</i> ,	Mr. <i>Whillden</i> ,	
Mr. <i>Kingland</i> ,	Mr. <i>Williamson</i> ,	
Mr. <i>Linn</i> ,	Mr. <i>Woodruff</i> .	

Ordered, That the Speaker do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. *Linn* do carry the said Bill to Council for Concurrence.

A Petition from *Sayrs Crane*, stating an Inconvenience arising to him from a Resolution of the Assembly, respecting the Certificate, given to Colonel *Mathias Ward*, which is at present his Property, was read, and ordered a second Reading.

A Petition from *John Pope*, Town-Clerk of *Mansfield, Burlington County*, setting forth, that a Law was passed at *Burlington* last Sitting, for choosing a Collector to collect the Arrears of Taxes due the said Township, on Account of the Death of *Moses English*, the Collector for 1780, that the Collector was directed to be appointed by said Law before the same came to the Hands of the Town-Officers, and praying that a Law may pass, renewing the said Law, and suggesting



ing the Propriety of the Collector being chosen at the annual Town-Meeting, was read, and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. *Woodruff*, from the Committee appointed to prepare and present a Bill for the regular Holding of the Courts of Oyer and Terminer, and General Gaol Delivery, and Nisi Prius, in the several Counties of this State, report as follows, for the Consideration of the House :

A Bill, intituled, *An Act for Holding of the Courts of Oyer and Terminer, and General Gaol Delivery, and Nisi Prius, in the several Counties of this State, and for other Purposes therein mentioned.*

And the said Committee, to whom was referred the Bill, intituled, *An Act directing the Mode of taking the Minutes of the Courts of Oyer and Terminer, and General Gaol Delivery, and of Nisi Prius*, beg Leave to report,

That in the Opinion of your Committee the said Bill ought not to be passed into a Law.

By Order of the Committee,

A. D. WOODRUFF.

Which first mentioned Bill was read, and ordered a second Reading.

And which Report was read, and ordered a second Reading, with the said Bill.

A Petition from *Elizabeth Kearney*, Widow of *Michael Kearney*, was read, and ordered a second Reading.

*The House adjourned to Three o'Clock, P. M.*

*The House met.*

Mr. *Dayton*, from the Committee to whom was referred the Petition of *Jacob Arnold*, and the Petition in Favor of the Creditors of *Daniel Freeman*, deceased, report,

That in the Opinion of your Committee the Prayer of the Petitioners ought to be granted, and beg Leave herewith to present the Draught of a Bill for that Purpose.

By Order of the Committee,

ELIAS DAYTON.

To which the House agreed ; whereupon,

Mr. *Dayton*, in Behalf of the Petitioners, presented the Draught of a Bill, intituled, *An Act to discharge Jacob Arnold, Esquire, late Sheriff of the County of Morris, from certain Fines therein mentioned ;* which Bill was read, and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. *Linn*, from the Committee to whom was committed the Bill, intituled, *An Act, supplemental to the Act, intituled, An Act to ascertain the Time and Mode of levying Taxes, and the better to enforce the Collection thereof, passed June 5th, 1787,* reported the same with sundry Amendments, and the following Title, *An additional Supplement to the Act, intituled, An Act to ascertain the Time and Mode of levying Taxes, and the better to enforce the Collection thereof, passed at Burlington the fifth Day of June, Seventeen Hundred and Eighty Seven ;* which was read, and

A Memorial was presented, and read, from *Joseph Read*, Esquire, stating Difficulties in bringing County Collectors to Account, with the Board of Justices and Freeholders, and after some Time spent thereon,

*Ordered,*

*Ordered*, That the further Consideration thereof be postponed.

Mr. *Williamson*, agreeably to Leave given, and in Behalf of the Petitioners, presented the Draught of a Bill, intituled, *An Act for the Relief of Jeremiah Clark* ; which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Bill, intituled, *An Act for holding of the Courts of Oyer and Terminer, and General Gaol Delivery, and Nisi Prius, in the several Counties of this State, and for other Purposes therein mentioned*, was read a second Time, debated, and ordered to be engrossed.

On Motion,

*Ordered*, That Messrs. *Sharp*, *Bidleman*, and *Stillwell*, be a Committee to prepare and present a Bill, to answer the Prayer of certain Petitions, stating Claims against the State.

*The House adjourned till To-Morrow Morning, Nine o'Clock.*

Friday, November 18, 1791.

*The House met.*

On Motion,

*Ordered*, That Messrs. *Williamson*, *Sharp*, *Condict*, *Clark*, and *Helmes*, be a Committee to prepare and present a Bill, to direct the Governor to subscribe One Hundred Shares, in Behalf of the State, to the Manufacturing Society.

The Petition of *Says Crane*, read Yesterday, was read a second Time, and committed to Messrs. *Condict*, *Hedden*, *Anderson*, *Newbold*, and *Vredenberg*, to report thereon.

The Bill, intituled, *An Act to provide suitable Buildings for the Accommodation of the Legislature, and public Officers of this State*, was read a second Time :

On the Question, whether *James Mott*, Esquire, be inserted as one of the Commissioners in the Bill ? It was carried in the Affirmative, as follows :

Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Mr. <i>Anderson</i> ,	Mr. <i>Lowrey</i> ,	Mr. <i>Berry</i> ,
Mr. <i>Bidleman</i> ,	Mr. <i>Lloyd</i> ,	Mr. <i>Dayton</i> ,
Mr. <i>Blackwood</i> ,	Mr. <i>Newbold</i> ,	Mr. <i>D. Vroom</i> ,
Mr. <i>Burgin</i> ,	Mr. <i>Sharp</i> ,	Mr. <i>Haring</i> ,
Mr. <i>Clark</i> ,	Mr. <i>Sinnickson</i> ,	Mr. <i>Helmes</i> ,
Mr. <i>Condict</i> ,	Mr. <i>E. Townsend</i> ,	Mr. <i>Linn</i> ,
Mr. <i>Fithian</i> ,	Mr. <i>R. Townsend</i> ,	Mr. <i>Runyan</i> ,
Mr. <i>Hankinson</i> ,	Mr. <i>Van Cleve</i> ,	Mr. <i>Starke</i> ,
Mr. <i>Hedden</i> ,	Mr. <i>Wallace</i> ,	Mr. <i>Stillwell</i> ,
Mr. <i>Inlay</i> ,	Mr. <i>Whillden</i> ,	Mr. <i>Srockton</i> ,
Mr. <i>Little</i> ,	Mr. <i>Woodruff</i> .	Mr. <i>Vredenberg</i> ,
		Mr. <i>Williamson</i> .

*Ordered*, That the further Consideration of the said Bill be postponed.

Mr. *Williamson*, from the Committee to whom was referred the Petition of *James Perry*, and *Thomas Hayes*, report,

That by sundry Vouchers shewn to the Committee, it appears, that the Estate of *Miles Sherbrook*, was forfeited to, and vested in this State ; that the Commissioners of Forfeited Estates, for the County of *Middlesex*, sold as the forfeited Property of the said *Miles Sherbrook*, on the 27th of September, 1779, the joint Property of the said *Miles Sherbrook*, *James Perry*, and *Thomas Hayes*, to the Amount of 1496l. Continental Money, of the Value of 74l. 2s. 9d. Specie, which Money was paid into the Treasury of this State.

Your Committee are therefore of Opinion, that the Sum of 49l. 8s. 6d. is due



due to the said *Perry* and *Hayes*, from this State, with such Interest (if any) as the House may think proper.

By Order of the Committee,

MATTHIAS WILLIAMSON.

Which Report was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Petition from the Justices and Freeholders of the County of *Burlington*, read on the 4th Instant, was read a second Time.

A Motion was made by Mr. *Wallace*, and seconded by Mr. *Woodruff*, for Leave to present a Bill, to answer the Prayer of the Petition.

On the Question, whether the House agree thereto? It was carried in the Negative; whereupon,

Ordered, That the said Petition be dismissed.

*The House adjourned to Three o'Clock, P. M.*

*The House met.*

Mr. *Outwater*, from Council, informed the House, that the Bill from this House, intituled, *An Act to direct the Treasurer to deliver unto Jacob Fries a certain Certificate in his Hands*, is passed by Council without Amendment.

Mr. *Outwater* delivered from Council a Bill, intituled, *An Act to authorize and empower the Trustees of the Presbyterian Congregations of Hardwick, Independence, Hardyston and Mansfield, in the County of Sussex, to erect a Lottery, for the Purpose therein mentioned; and*

A Bill, intituled, *An Act, empowering the Trustees of the Presbyterian Church, and the Minister, Wardens, and Vestry, of the Episcopal Church in Trenton, to have a Lottery for the Purpose therein mentioned, to which he requested the Concurrence of this House.*

Which Bills were read, and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. *Condict*, from the Committee to whom was referred the Petition of *Says Crane*, beg Leave to report,

That in the Opinion of your Committee, that so much of the Resolution of the Legislature, passed the 11th Day of *June*, 1790, as respects the Disallowance of, and Information to be given by the Treasurer, respecting a Certificate given by *Thomas Clark*, Commissioner for settling Militia Accounts for the County of *Essex*, to *Matthias Ward*, be suspended from having any Effect in Future,

By Order of the Committee,

SILAS CONDUCT.

Which Report was read, and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. *Sharp* from the Committee appointed for that Purpose, reported the Draught of a Bill, intituled, *An Act to authorize the Governor, for the Use of this State, to subscribe for One Hundred Shares in the general Manufactory, to be established in this State*, which Bill was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intituled, *An Act to provide suitable Buildings, for the Accomodation of the Legislature and public Offices of the State.*

An Amendment was moved to strike out the Words in the first Section, that fix the Buildings for the Accommodation of the Legislature of this State at *Trenton*, and that *New-Brunswick* and *Woodberry* be inserted in the Room thereof.

On the Question, whether the House agree thereto? It was carried in the Negative, as follows:

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Nays.

Nays.	Nays.	Yeas.
Mr. <i>Anderson</i> ,	Mr. <i>Lloyd</i> ,	Mr. <i>Berry</i> ,
Mr. <i>Bidleman</i> ,	Mr. <i>Newbold</i> ,	Mr. <i>Dayton</i> ,
Mr. <i>Blackwood</i> ,	Mr. <i>Sharp</i> ,	Mr. <i>D. Vroom</i> ,
Mr. <i>Burgin</i> ,	Mr. <i>Sinnickson</i> ,	Mr. <i>Linn</i> ,
Mr. <i>Clark</i> ,	Mr. <i>Starke</i> ,	Mr. <i>Little</i> ,
Mr. <i>Condict</i> ,	Mr. <i>Stillwell</i> ,	Mr. <i>Runyan</i> ,
Mr. <i>Fithian</i> ,	Mr. <i>E. Townsend</i> ,	Mr. <i>Stockton</i> ,
Mr. <i>Hankinson</i> ,	Mr. <i>R. Townsend</i> ,	Mr. <i>Vredenberg</i> ,
Mr. <i>Haring</i> ,	Mr. <i>Van Cleve</i> ,	Mr. <i>Williamson</i> .
Mr. <i>Hedden</i> ,	Mr. <i>Wallace</i> ,	
Mr. <i>Helmes</i> ,	Mr. <i>Whillden</i> ,	
Mr. <i>Imlay</i> ,	Mr. <i>Woodruff</i> .	
Mr. <i>Lowrey</i> ,		

A Motion was made to strike out the Letter s, at the End of the Word Buildings, near the End of the first Section.

On the Question, whether the House agree thereto? It was carried in the Negative, as follows :

Nays.	Nays.	Yeas.
Mr. <i>Anderson</i>	Mr. <i>Van Cleve</i>	Mr. <i>Berry</i>
Mr. <i>Bidleman</i>	Mr. <i>Wallace</i>	Mr. <i>Condict</i>
Mr. <i>Blackwood</i>	Mr. <i>Whillden</i>	Mr. <i>Dayton</i>
Mr. <i>Burgin</i>	Mr. <i>Woodruff</i> .	Mr. <i>D. Vroom</i>
Mr. <i>Clark</i>		Mr. <i>Haring</i>
Mr. <i>Fithian</i>		Mr. <i>Hedden</i>
Mr. <i>Hankinson</i>		Mr. <i>Imlay</i>
Mr. <i>Helmes</i>		Mr. <i>Linn</i>
Mr. <i>Lowrey</i>		Mr. <i>Little</i>
Mr. <i>Lloyd</i>		Mr. <i>Runyan</i>
Mr. <i>Newbold</i>		Mr. <i>Sharp</i>
Mr. <i>Sinnickson</i>		Mr. <i>Stillwell</i>
Mr. <i>Starke</i>		Mr. <i>Stockton</i>
Mr. <i>E. Townsend</i>		Mr. <i>R. Townsend</i>
		Mr. <i>Vredenberg</i>
		Mr. <i>Williamson</i> .

On the Question, whether the first Section do pass? It was carried in the Affirmative, as follows :

Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Mr. <i>Anderson</i> ,	Mr. <i>Lloyd</i> ,	Mr. <i>Berry</i> ,
Mr. <i>Bidleman</i> ,	Mr. <i>Newbold</i> ,	Mr. <i>Condict</i> ,
Mr. <i>Blackwood</i> ,	Mr. <i>Sinnickson</i> ,	Mr. <i>Dayton</i> ,
Mr. <i>Burgin</i> ,	Mr. <i>Starke</i> ,	Mr. <i>D. Vroom</i> ,
Mr. <i>Clark</i> ,	Mr. <i>E. Townsend</i> ,	Mr. <i>Haring</i> ,
Mr. <i>Fithian</i> ,	Mr. <i>R. Townsend</i> ,	Mr. <i>Hedden</i> ,
Mr. <i>Hankinson</i> ,	Mr. <i>Van Cleve</i> ,	Mr. <i>Linn</i> ,
Mr. <i>Helmes</i> ,	Mr. <i>Wallace</i> ,	Mr. <i>Little</i> ,
Mr. <i>Imlay</i> ,	Mr. <i>Whillden</i> ,	Mr. <i>Runyan</i> ,
Mr. <i>Lowrey</i> ,	Mr. <i>Woodruff</i> .	Mr. <i>Stillwell</i> ,
		Mr. <i>Stockton</i> ,
		Mr. <i>Vredenberg</i> ,
		Mr. <i>Williamson</i> .

On the Question, whether the same be engrossed? It was carried in the Affirmative, as follows :

Yeas.



Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Lloyd	Mr. Berry
Mr. Bidleman	Mr. Newbold	Mr. Dayton
Mr. Blackwood	Mr. Sharp	Mr. D. Vroom
Mr. Burgin	Mr. Sinnickson	Mr. Haring
Mr. Clark	Mr. Starke	Mr. Linn
Mr. Condict	Mr. E. Townsend	Mr. Little
Mr. Fitbrian	Mr. R. Townsend	Mr. Runyan
Mr. Hankinson	Mr. Van Cleve	Mr. Stillwell
Mr. Hedden	Mr. Wallace	Mr. Vredenberg
Mr. Helmes	Mr. Whillden.	Mr. Williamson
Mr. Imlay	Mr. Woodruff	
Mr. Lowrey		

Whereupon, Ordered, That the said Bill be engrossed.

Mr. Sharp, with Leave, and in Behalf of sundry Petitioners, presented the Draught of a Bill, intituled, *An Act to authorize the Treasurer to pay certain Sums of Money, due to the Citizens of this State*; which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Bill, intituled, *An Act for the Relief of Jeremiah Clark*, was read a second Time, debated, and ordered to be engrossed.

Agreeably to the Order of the Day, on the Charges exhibited against *Amos Pharo*, Esq. the said *Amos Pharo* attended the House, and *Trevor Newland* attended in Support of the Charges, and after hearing sundry Witnesses on the Subject of the Charges exhibited,

A Question was taken, whether the Charges are so far supported, as to induce this House to exhibit an Impeachment to the Council against the said *Amos Pharo*; it was carried in the Negative.

Ordered, That the said Charges be dismissed.

Ordered, That Mr. *Williamson* and Mr. *Sharp* have Leave of Absence.

*The House adjourned till To-Morrow Morning, Ten o'Clock.*

Saturday, November 19, 1791.

*The House met.*

Mr. *Combs* returned and took his Seat in the House.

On Motion,

Ordered, That the Committee appointed on the 3d Instant, to whom was committed the Petition from *Monmouth*, respecting the Supreme Court's liberating Slaves, &c. be discharged from that Appointment, and that the said Petition be dismissed.

A Petition from *John B. Riker*, late a Surgeon in the *New-Jersey* Regiment, praying Compensation for the Depreciation of his Pay, was read and committed to Messrs, *Woodruff*, *Blackwood*, and *Imlay*.

A Petition from *Penn's Neck*, in the County of *Salem*, praying the Repeal of the Meadow Law, passed June 24th, 1782, intituled, *An Act to enable the Owners and Possessors of Swamp-Marsh and Meadow, adjoining Rachel Dalbo's fast Land, and bounding on Delaware River, and Oldman's Creek, to Isaac Pidrick's fast Land, in the Township of Upper Penn's Neck, in the County of Salem, to erect, maintain, and keep in repair the necessary Banks, Dams, and Water-Works, and to cut Drains, to prevent the Tide from overflowing the same*, was read, and ordered a second Reading.

A Petition from the Township of *Dover*, in the County of *Monmouth*, praying Liberty to pay their Arrearages of Taxes, of the Dollar Money, at one Dollar for three of the said Money, was read, and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. *Condict*, from the Committee, to whom was referred the Petition of *Thomas Lowrey*, reported as follows :

That it appears reasonable to your Committee, that the Petitioner should have Leave to present a Bill, to answer the Purposes mentioned in his said Petition.

By Order of the Committee,

SILAS CONDUCT.

To which the House agreed ; whereupon,

Mr. *Linn* presented the Draught of a Bill, intituled, *An Act relative to a certain Mortgage therein mentioned*, which Bill was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The engrossed Bill, intituled, *An Act to provide suitable Buildings for the Accommodation of the Legislature*, was read and compared.

On the Question, whether the same do pass ? It was carried in the Affirmative as follows :

Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Mr. <i>Anderson</i> ,	Mr. <i>Lloyd</i> ,	Mr. <i>Berry</i> ,
Mr. <i>Bidleman</i> ,	Mr. <i>Newbold</i> ,	Mr. <i>Combs</i> ,
Mr. <i>Blackwood</i> ,	Mr. <i>Sharp</i> ,	Mr. <i>Dayton</i> ,
Mr. <i>Burkin</i> ,	Mr. <i>Sinnickson</i> ,	Mr. <i>D Vroom</i> ,
Mr. <i>Clark</i> ,	Mr. <i>Starke</i> ,	Mr. <i>Haring</i> ,
Mr. <i>Condict</i> ,	Mr. <i>E. Townsend</i> ,	Mr. <i>Linn</i> ,
Mr. <i>Fithian</i> ,	Mr. <i>R. Townsend</i> ,	Mr. <i>Little</i> ,
Mr. <i>Hankinson</i> ,	Mr. <i>Van Cleve</i> ,	Mr. <i>Runyan</i> ,
Mr. <i>Hedden</i> ,	Mr. <i>Wallace</i> ,	Mr. <i>Smith</i> ,
Mr. <i>Helmes</i> ,	Mr. <i>Willden</i> ,	Mr. <i>Stillwell</i> ,
Mr. <i>Imlay</i> ,	Mr. <i>Woodruff</i> ,	Mr. <i>Stockton</i> ,
Mr. <i>Lowrey</i> ,		Mr. <i>Vredenbergh</i> ,

Ordered, That the Speaker do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. *Lowrey* do carry the said Bill to Council for Concurrence.

The engrossed Bill, intituled, *An Act to prevent the Public Records being removed by Writs of Subpœna*, was read, and compared.

Resolved unanimously, That the same do pass.

The engrossed Bill, intituled, *An Act for the Relief of Jeremiah Clark*, was read and compared!

Resolved unanimously, That the same do pass.

Ordered, That the Speaker do sign the said Bills.

Ordered, That Mr. *Little* do carry the said Bills to the Council for Concurrence.

A Petition from *Silas Hopkins*, stating a Demand against the State, and praying that the Treasurer may be directed to issue him a Certificate, for the Amount of his Claim, was read, and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. *Woodruff*, with Leave, presented the Draught of a Bill, intituled, *A Supplement to an Act, intituled, An Act directing the Time and Mode of collecting the Arrearages of Taxes in the several Counties in this State, passed at Burlington the 25th Day of November, 1790* ; which Bill was read, and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. *Imlay*, with Leave, and in Behalf of the Petitioners, presented the Draught of a Bill intituled, *An Act to enable the Owners and Possessors of the Low Lands, Meadows and Swamps, on both Sides of Assanpink Brook, from Hutchinson's Mill to Isaac*



*Isaac Antrem's Land*, to remove the Obstructions to the free Course of the Waters of the same Brook ; which Bill was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Report of Mr. *Woodruff* of *Thursday* last, on the Bill committed, intituled, *An Act directing the Mode of taking the Minutes of the Courts of Oyer and Terminer, and General Gaol Delivery, and of Nisi Prius*, was read a second Time, and disagreed to by the House ; whereupon,

The said Bill was read, and the Consideration thereof postponed.

A Letter from *John Stevens*, Esq. on the Subject of the Treasury Books, in the Hands of his Son, *John Stevens*, jun. and assuring the House, that Copies of the Books shall be made out, and the Original subjected to the Inspection of the House, or to such other Persons, as may be appointed for that Purpose, was read and ordered a second Reading.

The Report of Mr. *Condiſt*, on the Petition of *Sayrs Crane*, was read a second Time and agreed to.

*The House adjourned to Three o'Clock, P. M.*

*The House met.*

A Petition from *Zachariah Price*, stating a Demand against the State, and praying that a Committee may be appointed to examine his Claim, was read and committed to Messrs. *Linn*, *Hankinson*, and *Little*, to report thereon.

The Petition of *Samuel Kelly*, read on the 10th Instant, was read a second Time.

On the Question, whether a Committee be appointed to bring in a Bill, to answer the Prayer of the Petition ; it was carried in the Affirmative, as follows :

Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Mr. Berry,	Mr. Lowrey,	Mr. Anderson,
Mr. Bidleman,	Mr. Newbold,	Mr. Dayton,
Mr. Blackwood,	Mr. Runyan,	Mr. Haring,
Mr. Burgin,	Mr. Sinnickson,	Mr. Helmes,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Smith	Mr. Lloyd,
Mr. Condiſt,	Mr. Starke,	Mr. R. Townsend,
Mr Combs.	Mr. Stillwell,	Mr. Wallace,
Mr. Fithian,	Mr. Stockton,	Mr. Whillden,
Mr. Hankinson,	Mr. E. Townsend,	
Mr. Hedden,	Mr. Van Cleve,	
Mr. Linn,	Mr. Vredenberg,	
Mr. Little,		

Whereupon, Ordered, That Messrs. *Woodruff*, *Linn*, and *Condiſt* be a Committee for that Purpose.

The Petition from *John Pope*, read on the 17th Instant, was read a second Time ; and

Mr. *Anderson*, with Leave, and in Answer to the Prayer of the Petitioner, presented the Draught of a Bill, intituled, *A Supplement to the Act, intituled, An Act to empower the Inhabitants of the Township of Mansfield, in the County of Burlington, to choose a Collector to do the Duty of Moses English, one of the late Collectors of said Township, passed November 26th, 1790* ; which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intituled, *An Act to repeal certain Parts of the Act, intituled, An Act to enable the Owners of Tide Swamps and Marshes, to improve the same, and the Owners of Meadows already banked*

in, and held by different Persons, to keep the same in good Repair ; and after having gone through the said Bill, and amended the same,

Ordered, That the said Bill be engrossed.

The Bill, intituled, *An Act to raise the Sum of Fifteen Thousand Pounds, in the Year One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety-two*, was read a second Time, debated, and ordered to be engrossed.

On Motion,

Ordered, That Messrs. *Anderson, Van Cleve, Dayton, Condit*, and *Little*, be a Committee, to bring in a Bill for the Payment of the Interest on the State Debt.

A Petition from sundry Inhabitants of the County of *Morris*, stating that their Demands against this State are so small, that they are not worth funding, upon the Principles established by Congress, and desiring that the State will provide for paying the Interest on their Certificates, was read, and ordered a second Reading.

*The House adjourned till Monday Morning, Ten o'Clock.*

Monday, November 21, 1791.

*The House met.*

Mr. *Linn*, from the Committee appointed for that Purpose, and agreeably to Leave given, on the Petition of *Samuel Kelly*, presented the Draught of a Bill, intituled, *An Act for the Relief of Samuel Kelly* ; which Bill was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The engrossed Bill, intituled, *An Act, to repeal certain Parts of the Act, intituled, An Act to enable the Owners of the Tide Swamps and Marshes, to improve the same, and the Owners of Meadows already banked in, and held by different Persons, to keep the same in good Repair*, was read and compared.

Resolved, That the same do pass.

The engrossed Bill, intituled, *An Act to raise the Sum of Fifteen Thousand Pounds, in the Year One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety-two*, was read and compared.

Resolved, That the same do pass.

Ordered, That the Speaker do sign the said Bills.

Ordered, That Mr. *Lloyd* do carry the said Bills to the Council for Concurrence.

The Petition of *Peter Schenk*, read on the 9th Instant, was read a second Time, and the Petitioner has Leave to present a Bill to answer the Prayer of his Petition.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intituled, *An Act directing the Mode of taking the Minutes of the Courts of Oyer and Terminer, and General Gaol Delivery, and of Nisi Prius*, and after some Time spent thereon,

Ordered, That the same be committed to Messrs. *Condit, Woodruff*, and *Linn*.

A Petition from *Elenor Van Mater*, of the County of *Morrimouth*, stating a Demand against the Forfeited Estate of *Samuel Osbern*, praying Payment, was read, and ordered a second Reading ; with the Bill to authorize the Treasurer to pay certain Sums due to the Citizens of this State.

Mr. *Condit*, from Council, delivered to this House, a Bill, intituled, *An Act relative to the erecting of Bridges across the Rivers Passaick and Hackinsack, and for other Purposes therein mentioned* ;

A Bill, intituled, *A supplement to an Act, intituled, An Act for building Bridges over*



over the Rivers Passaick and Hackinsack, and for other Purposes therein mentioned ; And

A Bill, intituled, *An Act to repeal an Act, intituled, A supplemental Act to the Act, intituled, An Act to punish Traitors and disaffected Persons ;* to which several Bills he requested the Concurrence of this House.

Which said Bills were severally read, and ordered to be read a second Time.

The Speaker laid before the House a Letter from *James Mottr*, Esquire, Treasurer, informing, that the Representatives of the late County Collector of *Middlesex* County had presented to him Orders, drawn by *John Stevens*, late Treasurer, in Favor of *Azariah Dunham*, Esquire, and which has been discharged to the said *Azariah Dunham*, to the Amount of 70,000*l.* Continental Money, of March, 1780, and praying Direction of the House relative thereto, was read and ordered a second Reading.

The Bill, intituled, *A Supplement to the Act, intituled, An Act to empower the Inhabitants of the Township of Mansfield, in the County of Burlington, to choose a Collector to do the Duty of Moses English, one of the late Collectors of said Township, passed November 26th, 1790,* was read a second Time, debated, and ordered to be engrossed.

*The House adjourned to Three o'Clock, P. M.*

*The House met.*

The Petition from the Owners of Lands, on both Sides of *South River*, in the County of *Middlesex*, read on the 2d Instant, was read a second Time.

Ordered, That the Petitioners have Leave to present a Bill at the next Sitting, to answer the Prayer of their Petition, previously advertising the Purport of the Bill they mean to present, and a Copy of this Order, for at least three Weeks, in three of the most public Places in the Neighbourhood of *South River*.

Mr. *Anderson*, from the Committee appointed for that Purpose, reported the Draught of a Bill, intituled, *An Act to authorize the Treasurer to pay Interest on certain State Notes ;* which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Bill, intituled, *An Act for the Support of the Government of the State of New-Jersey,* was read a second Time, and after some Time spent thereon,

Ordered, That the further Consideration thereof be postponed.

The Bill, intituled, *An Act relative to a certain Mortgage therein mentioned,* was read a second Time, debated, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Petition from *Samuel Pleasant*, stating a Demand against the Forfeited Estate of *Gabriel Devebber*, and praying payment thereof from the State, was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Petition from *Stafford*, and *Dover*, and the Petition from *Little Egg-Harbour*, praying that the Arrears of Taxes of the Old Dollar Money, may be paid to the Treasurer in Lawful Money, one Dollar for three of the said Money, were read a second Time, and committed to Messrs. *Condict*, *Little*, *Wallace*, *Whillden*, and *Fithian*, to report thereon.

The Treasurer's Letter read this Morning, was read a second Time, and committed to Messrs. *Haring*, *Anderson*, and *D. Vroom*, to report thereon.

*The House adjourned till To-Morrow Morning, Ten o'Clock.*

**Tuesday, November 22, 1791.**

*The House met.*

Mr.

Mr. *Van Cleve*, from the Committee to whom was referred the Petition of *Jacob West*, informed the House, that the Business to them referred is of that Nature, that the House cannot with Propriety interfere, and desired to be discharged from their Appointment; Whereupon,

Ordered, That the said Committee be discharged accordingly, and that the Petition of the said *Jacob West* be dismissed.

The engrossed Bill, intituled, *A Supplement to the Act, intituled, An Act to empower the Inhabitants of the Township of Mansfield, in the County of Burlington, to choose a Collector, to do the Duty of Moses English, one of the late Collectors of said Township, passed November 26th, 1790, was read and compared.*

Resolved, That the same do pass.

Ordered, That the Speaker do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. *Newbold* do carry the said Bill to the Council for Concurrence.

Mr. *Condit*, from the Committee to whom was committed the Bill, intituled, *An Act directing the Mode of taking the Minutes of the Courts of Oyer and Terminer, and General Gaol Delivery, and of Nisi Prius*, reported the same with sundry Amendments, and the following Title: *An Act to direct the Mode of appointing a Clerk of the Circuit Courts, and for other Purposes therein mentioned*, which was read, debated by Paragraphs, and ordered to be engrossed.

The engrossed Bill, intituled, *An Act for holding the Courts of Oyer and Terminer, and General Gaol Delivery, and Nisi Prius, in the several Counties of this State, and for other Purposes therein mentioned*, was read and compared.

Resolved, That the same do pass.

The engrossed Bill, intituled, *An Act relative to a certain Mortgage therein mentioned*, was read and compared.

Resolved, That the same do pass.

Ordered, That the Speaker do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. *Sinnickson* do carry the said Bills to Council for Concurrence.

The engrossed Bill, intituled, *An Act to direct the Mode of appointing a Clerk of the Circuit Courts, and for other Purposes therein mentioned*, was read and compared.

Resolved, That the same do pass.

Ordered, That the Speaker do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. *Smith* do carry the said Bill to Council for Concurrence.

*The House adjourned to Three o'Clock, P. M.*

*The House met.*

In Conformity with the Report agreed to Yesterday, on the Petition of *Sayrs Crane*,

Resolved, That the Resolution passed the 12th June, 1790, be, and the same is repealed, except that Part which prohibits the Treasurer from paying Interest on a Note given by *Thomas Clark*, Commissioner for settling the Militia Accounts, for the County of *Essex*, to *Matthias Ward*.

Ordered, That Mr. *Bidleman* do carry the said Resolution to the Council for Concurrence.

Mr. *Hankinson*, with Leave, presented the Draught of a Bill, intituled, *An Act for the Relief of Knowlton, in the County of Suffolk*, which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. *Randolph*, from Council, informed the House, that Council had rejected the



the Bill, intituled, *An Act to repeal certain Parts of the Act, intituled, An Act to enable the Owners of the Tide Swamps and Marshes, to improve the same, and the Owners of Meadows already banked, and held by different Persons, to keep the same in good Repair.*

That Council had passed the following Bills without Amendment, to wit :

The Bill, intituled, *An Act for the Relief of Jeremiah Clark.*

The Bill, intituled, *An Act to raise the Sum of Fifteen Thousand Pounds, in the Year Seventeen Hundred and Ninety-two.*

The Bill, intituled, *An Act to provide suitable Buildings for the Accommodation of the Legislature ; And*

The Bill, intituled, *An Act to incorporate the Contributors to the Society for establishing useful Manufactures, and for the further Encouragement of the said Society.*

Mr. Randolph delivered to this House the Bill, intituled, *An Act to prevent the public Records being removed by Writs of Subpœna*, with the Amendment made thereto by Council, to which Amendment he requested the Concurrence of this House.

Which Bill, with the Amendment was read, and the Amendment being read in its Place, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the said Bill be re-engrossed with the said Amendment.

Mr. Little, agreeably to Leave given, and in Behalf of *Peter Schenk*, presented the following Resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Treasurer of this State, is hereby authorized and directed to deliver unto *Peter Schenk*, or his legal Representative, a certain Bond in his Office after making the necessary Endorsements thereon, given by *Thomas Leonard* to *Hannah Harvey*, conditioned for the Payment of one Hundred Pounds, dated the 8th Day of March, 1764, and assigned by the said *Hannah Harvey* to the said *Peter Schenk*, and take a Receipt therefor.

Ordered, That Mr. Starke do carry the said Resolution to Council for Concurrence.

The Bill, intituled, *An Act for the Relief of Insolvent Debtors*, was read a second Time, debated, and ordered to be engrossed.

The Bill, intituled, *An Act to empower the Trustees of the Presbyterian Church, and the Minister, Wardens, and Vestry, of the Episcopal Church in Trenton, to have a Lottery for the Purpose therein mentioned*, was read a second Time, debated, and ordered a third Reading.

The Bill, intituled, *An Act to authorize and empower the Trustees of the Presbyterian Congregations of Hardwick, Independence, Hardyston and Mansfield, in the County of Sussex, to erect a Lottery, for the Purpose therein mentioned*, was read a second Time, debated, and ordered a third Reading.

The Bill, intituled, *An Act, to authorize the Ministers, Elders, and Deacons, of the Reformed Congregations of Hackinsack and Schralcnbergh, in the County of Bergen, to erect and draw a Lottery for the Purpose therein mentioned*, was read a second Time, debated, and ordered to be engrossed.

The Bill, intituled, *An Act for the Relief of Samuel Kelly*, was read a second Time, debated, and ordered to be engrossed.

*The House adjourned till to-morrow Morning, Nine o'Clock.*

Wednesday, November 23, 1791.

*The House met.*

The Bill intituled, *An Act to authorize and empower the Trustees of the Presbyterian Congregations of Hardwick, Independence, Hardyston, and Mansfield, in the County of Sussex, to erect a Lottery, for the Purpose therein mentioned*, was read a third Time.

On the Question, whether the said Bill do pass? It was negatived, as follows :

Nays.	Yeas.	Yeas.
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Berry	Mr. Van Cleve
Mr. Blackwood	Mr. Bidleman	Mr. Woodruff.
Mr. Burgin	Mr. Combs	
Mr. Clark	Mr. Condict	
Mr. Fithian	Mr. Dayton	
Mr. Imlay	Mr. D. Vroom	
Mr. Kingsland	Mr. Hankinton	
Mr. Linn	Mr. Haring	
Mr. Lloyd	Mr. Hedden	
Mr. Newbold	Mr. Helmes	
Mr. Sinnickson	Mr. Little	
Mr. Smith	Mr. Lowrey	
Mr. E. Townsend	Mr. Runyan	
Mr. R. Townsend	Mr. Starke	
Mr. Wallace	Mr. Stillwell	
Mr. Whillden	Mr. Stockton	

And there not being twenty Members in Favor of the said Bill.

Ordered, That the same be dismissed.

The Bill, intituled, *An Act to empower the Trustees of the Presbyterian Church, and the Minister, Wardens, and Vestry of the Episcopal Church in Trenton, to have a Lottery, for the Purpose therein mentioned*, was read a third Time.

On the Question, whether the same do pass? It was negatived, as follows :

Nays.	Nays.	Yeas.
Mr. Anderson	Mr. E. Townsend	Mr. Berry
Mr. Bidleman	Mr. R. Townsend	Mr. Combs,
Mr. Blackwood	Mr. Wallace	Mr. D. Vroom
Mr. Burgin	Mr. Whillden.	Mr. Haring
Mr. Clark		Mr. Hedden
Mr. Condict		Mr. Helmes
Mr. Dayton		Mr. Little
Mr. Fithian		Mr. Lowrey
Mr. Hankinson		Mr. Runyan
Mr. Imlay		Mr. Starke
Mr. Kingsland,		Mr. Stillwell
Mr. Linn		Mr. Stockton
Mr. Lloyd		Mr. Van Cleve
Mr. Newbold		Mr. Vredenberg
Mr. Smith		Mr. Woodruff

and there not being Twenty Members in favor of the Bill,

Ordered, That the same be dismissed.

Ordered, That Mr. Berry do wait on the Council and acquaint them that the said Bills are rejected by this House.

The engrossed Bill, intituled *An Act for the Relief of Insolvent Debtors*, was read and compared.

Resolved, That the same do pass.

Ordered, That the Speaker do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. Stockton do carry the said Bill to the Council for Concurrence.

The



The engrossed Bill, intituled, *An Act for the Relief of Samuel Kelly*, was read and compared,

On the Question, whether the same do pass? It was carried in the Affirmative as follows:

Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Little,	Mr. Berry,
Mr. Bidleman,	Mr. Lowrey,	Mr. Dayton,
Mr. Blackwood,	Mr. Newbold,	Mr. Haring,
Mr. Burgin,	Mr. Runyan,	Mr. Helmes,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Sinnickson,	Mr. Imlay,
Mr. Combs,	Mr. Smith,	Mr. Kingstand,
Mr. Condict,	Mr. Starke,	Mr. Lloyd,
Mr. D. Vroom,	Mr. Stillwell,	Mr. E. Townsend,
Mr. Fithian,	Mr. Stockton,	Mr. R. Townsend,
Mr. Hankinson,	Mr. Van Cleve,	Mr. Wallace,
Mr. Hedden,		Mr. Whillden,
Mr. Linn,		Mr. Woodruff.

Ordered, That the Speaker do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. Stillwell do carry the said Bill to Council for Concurrence.

The re-engrossed Bill, intituled, *An Act to prevent the public Records being removed by Writs of Subpœna*, was read and compared.

Resolved, That the same do pass.

Ordered, That the Speaker do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. E. Townsend do carry the said Bill to Council, and acquaint them, that the same is passed by this House, with their Amendment.

The engrossed Bill, intituled, *An Act to authorize the Minister, Elders, and Deacons of the Reformed Congregations of Hackinsack and Schralenberg, in the County of Bergen, to erect and draw a Lottery, for the Purposes therein mentioned*, was read and compared.

On the Question, whether the same do pass? It was negatived, as follows:

Nays.	Yeas.	Yeas.
Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Berry,	Mr. Little,
Mr. Blackwood,	Mr. Bidleman,	Mr. Lowrey,
Mr. Burgin,	Mr. Combs,	Mr. Runyan,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Condict,	Mr. Starke,
Mr. Fithian,	Mr. Dayton,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Hankinson,	Mr. D. Vroom,	Mr. Stockton,
Mr. Imlay,	Mr. Haring,	Mr. Van Cleve,
Mr. Linn,	Mr. Hedden,	Mr. Vredenberg,
Mr. Lloyd,	Mr. Kingstand,	Mr. Woodruff.
Mr. Newbold,		
Mr. Sinnickson,		
Mr. Smith,		
Mr. E. Townsend,		
Mr. R. Townsend,		
Mr. Wallace,		
Mr. Whillden,		

There not being twenty Members in Favor of the said Bill,

Ordered, That the same be dismissed.

The Petition from *Kenneth Hankinson*, read on the 27th ultimo, was read a second Time; whereupon,

Ordered, That the Petitioner have Leave to present a Bill to answer the Prayer of his Petition at the next Sitting, previously advertising the Purport of the Bill he means to present, and a Copy of this Order, in two of the public News-Papers, printed in this State, for at least two Weeks previous thereto.

Mr. Condict, with Leave, presented the Draught of a Bill, intituled, *An Act to prevent the Confinement of Debtors*; which Bill was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Bill, intituled, *An Act to repeal an Act, intituled, A supplemental Act to the Act, intituled, An Act to punish Traitors and disaffected Persons*, was read a second Time, debated, and ordered to be read a third Time.

Mr. Outwater from Council, informed the House, that Council has agreed to a Resolution in Favor of *Matthias Ward* in Part : and that Council have passed the Bill intituled, *A Supplement to the Act, intituled, An Act to empower the Inhabitants of the Township of Mansfield, in the County of Burlington, to choose a Collector, to do the Duty of Moses English, one of the late Collectors of said Township, passed November 26th, 1790, without Amendment.*

Mr. Outwater, also presented from Council a Bill, intituled, *An Act, appointing Commissioners to run and ascertain the Partition-Line, between the Townships of Newark and Aquackanunk, in the County of Essex ;* which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. Wallace, from the Committee to whom was referred the Petition from the Township of *Little Egg-Harbour*, in the County of *Burlington*, and the Petitions from the Townships of *Stafford* and *Dover*, in the County of *Monmouth*, on the Subject of Paper-Money, emitted in the Years 1780, and 1781, reported,

That they had made some Progress in the Business committed to them, but for Want of Information, which they cannot at present procure, they are unable to proceed, and therefore beg, that the House will allow them to defer further Report, till the next Sitting.

By Order of the Committee,

JOSHUA M. WALLACE.

To which the House agreed.

Ordered, That the said Committee be continued and directed to report at the next Sitting.

*The House adjourned to Three o'Clock, P. M.*

*The House met.*

The Bill, intituled, *An Act for the Relief of Knowlton, in the County of Sussex*, was read a second Time, and referred to the next Sitting.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intituled, *An Act for the Support of the Government of the State of New-Jersey*, and after having gone through the said Bill by Paragraphs, and agreed to the same,

Ordered, That the said Bill be engrossed.

On Motion,

Resolved, That when this House adjourn for the present Sitting, they adjourn to meet on the third Tuesday in May next.

The Bill, intituled, *An Act relative to the erecting of the Bridges across the Rivers Passaick and Hackinsack, and for other Purposes therein mentioned*, was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

Mr. Condict, with Leave, presented the Draught of a Bill, intituled, *An Act for the more equal Representation of the Inhabitants of the several Counties of this State, in the House of Assembly*, which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Bill, intituled, *An Act to enable the Owners of the Low Lands, Meadows, and Swamps, on both Sides of Assanpink-Brook, from Hutchinson's Mill to Isaac Antrim's Land, to remove the Obstructions to the free Course of the Waters of the same Brook*, was read a second Time.

Ordered, That the Petitioners for the said Bill advertise the Purport thereof, with a Copy of this Order, in three of the most public Places, in the Neighbourhood, where the said Creek is to be cleared out, at least two Weeks previous to the next Meeting of the Legislature, with a Copy of this Order.

Mr. Van Cleve, from the Committee appointed for that Purpose, reported the Draught



Draught of a Bill, intituled, *An Act to defray sundry Incidental Charges* ; which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Bill, intituled, *A Supplement to an Act, intituled, An Act directing the Time and Mode of collecting the Arrearages of Taxes, in the several Counties in this State, passed at Burlington the 25th Day of November, 1790*, was read a second Time, debated, and ordered to be engrossed.

*The House adjourned till To-Morrow Morning, Nine o'Clock.*

**Thursday, November 24, 1791.**

*The House met.*

Mr. Little, from the Committee to whom was referred the Petition of *Barnes I. Smock*, reported as follows :

That in the Opinion of your Committee, the Treasurer be directed to issue a Certificate to *Barnes I. Smock*, for the Sum of Two Hundred Pounds, with such Interest, as the Legislature shall direct.

By Order of the Committee,

THOMAS LITTLE.

Ordered, That the said Report be read a second Time.

Mr. Haring, from the Committee to whom was referred the Treasurer's Letter of the 21st Instant, reported,

That in the Opinion of your Committee the County of *Middlesex* ought not to be credited in the Books of the present Treasurer, for the Amount of the Order drawn by the late Treasurer, on the Collector of that County, in Favor of *Azariah Dunham*, or for any Part thereof, until the Legislature shall have enquired more fully into the Justice of the Claim.

By Order of the Committee,

JOHN HARING.

Ordered, That the said Report be read a second Time.

Mr. Linn, from the Committee to whom was referred the Petition of *Zachariah Price*, of the County of *Suffex*, reported as follows :

That the Claim of the said Petitioner on this State, is similar to the Claims of *Robert Nixon* and others, as reported by a Committee of this House, on the 27th of October last :

That the same Reasons which induced that Committee to report against the Claims of those Petitioners, operate against the Claim of the said *Zachariah Price*, and that his Petition ought therefore to be dismissed.

By Order of the Committee,

JAMES LINN.

Which Report was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Bill, intituled, *An Act to authorize the Governor to subscribe, for the Use of this State, One Hundred Shares in the General Manufactory to be established in this State*, was read a second Time :

On the Question, whether the House agree to the 1st. Section in the following Words, *Be it Enacted &c.* That the Governor of the State for the Time being, be and he hereby is authorized and directed, to subscribe on the Part, and for the Use of this State, any Number of Shares, not exceeding 100, to the Manufactory to be established within this State, agreeably to an Act of the Legislature, intituled ' *An Act to incorporate the Contributors to the Society for the Establishing useful Manufactures, and for the further Encouragement of the said Society* :

It was carried in the Negative as follows :

## Nays.

Mr. *Anderfon*  
 Mr. *Berry*,  
 Mr. *Bidleman*,  
 Mr. *Burgin*,  
 Mr. *Clark*,  
 Mr. *Combs*.  
 Mr. *Condict*,  
 Mr. *Hankinson*,  
 Mr. *Haring*,  
 Mr. *Imlay*,  
 Mr. *King/land*  
 Mr. *Little*,  
 Mr. *Runyan*,  
 Mr. *Smith*  
 Mr. *Starke*,  
 Mr. *Stillwell*,

## Nays.

Mr. *E. Townsend*,  
 Mr. *R. Townsend*,  
 Mr. *Whillden*,

## Yeas.

Mr. *Blackwood*,  
 Mr. *Dayton*,  
 Mr. *D. Vroom*,  
 Mr. *Fithian*,  
 Mr. *Hedden*,  
 Mr. *Helmes*,  
 Mr. *Linn*,  
 Mr. *Lowrey*,  
 Mr. *Lloyd*,  
 Mr. *Newbold*,  
 Mr. *Sinnickson*,  
 Mr. *Stockton*,  
 Mr. *Van Clowe*,  
 Mr. *Vredenberg*,  
 Mr. *Wallace*,  
 Mr. *Woodruff*.

*Ordered*, That the further Consideration thereof be postponed.

Mr. *Lowrey*, with Leave, and in Answer to the Prayer of the Petitioners, presented the Draught of a Bill, intituled, *An Act to alter the Place of the Meeting of the Justices and Frecholders, in the County of Hunterdon, and for other Purposes therein mentioned*, which Bill was read and ordered a second Reading.

On Motion,

*Resolved*, That *Isaac Neale* be appointed to print the Laws of this State, which have been, or shall hereafter be passed during the present Session of the Legislature, and also to print the Journals of the Proceedings of the Council, Assembly, and Joint-Meeting, agreeably to the Terms prescribed by Law, provided an equal Quantity thereof be contained in a Sheet, as was inserted in the Laws and Minutes of the last Session, and that the same be completed in two Months.

*Resolved*, That the Treasurer of this State be directed to forward a Copy of the Laws and of the Journals to each of the following Persons, *viz*: The Governor of this State, the Justices of the Supreme Court, the Secretary of state of the United States, the Senators and Representatives of this State in the Congress of the United States, the Attorney General, the Auditor of Accounts, the Secretary of this State, the Clerks of the Supreme and Circuit Courts, and of the Council and Assembly, and also to the Clerk of the Council for the Use of the Council four Copies, and to the Clerk of the Assembly for the Use of the Assembly six Copies; and the said Treasurer shall also put up the Laws and Journals intended for the Officers and Inhabitants of each County, in four separate Bundles, and shall direct and forward a Bundle to each of the Members of the Legislature for each County, and the Proportion of the Laws and Journals for each County shall be as follows, *viz*. The County of Hunterdon 112 Copies, the County of Burlington 97, the County of Monmouth 87, the Counties of Middlesex, Somerset and Gloucester each 77, the Counties of Essex, Morris and Sussex each 67, the Counties of Bergen and Salem each 66, the County of Cumberland 56, and the County of Cape-May 36.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *King/land* do carry the said Resolution to the Council for Concurrence.

Mr. *Wallace*, in Behalf of *Benjamin Jones*, agreeably to Leave given, presented the Draught of a Bill, intituled, *An Act to authorize Benjamin Jones, jun. of the County of Burlington, his Heirs and Assigns, to erect and maintain a Dam for the Purpose of accommodating Mills on the North Branch of Rancocus, near a Place called Slab-Bridge*, which was read and ordered a second Reading.

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The Bill, intituled, *An Act to authorize the Treasurer to pay Interest on certain State Notes*, was read a second time, and after some Time spent thereon, Ordered, That the further Consideration thereof be postponed.

Mr. Kinsey from the Council, informed the House that Council had agreed to the Resolution relative to authorizing the Treasurer to deliver unto *Peter Scherck* a certain Bond, &c.

That Council had passed the Bill intituled, *An Act for holding Courts of Oyer and Terminer and General gaol Delivery, and Nisi Prius, in the several Counties in this State, and for other Purposes therein mentioned*:

That Council had rejected the Bill, intituled, *An Act for the Relief of Samuel Kelly*:

That the Bill, intituled, *An Act for the Relief of Insolvent Debtors, and*

The Bill, intituled, *An Act relative to a certain Mortgage therein mentioned*, are passed by Council without Amendment.

Mr. Kinsey also presented from Council a Bill, intituled, *An Act to repeal an Act for regulating and shortning the Proceedings in the Courts of Law, and*

A Bill, intituled, *A Supplement to the Act intituled, an Act to build a Toll-Bridge over the River Raritan at the City of New-Brunswick*, to which Bills he requested the Concurrence of this House.

The Bill, intituled *An Act relative to the Erecting of the Bridges across the Rivers Passaick and Hackinsack, and for other purposes therein mentioned*, was read a third Time.

Resolved, That the same do pass.

Ordered, That the Speaker do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. Vredenberg do carry the said Bill to Council, and acquaint them that the same is passed by this House without Amendment.

Mr. Van Cleve with Leave presented the Draught of a Bill, intituled, 'A Supplement to the Act intituled 'An Act for the Building a Court-House and Gaol in the County of Hunterdon, and to raise Money for that Purpose,' which was read and ordered a second Reading.

The engrossed Bill, intituled, 'A Supplement to an Act, intituled, 'An Act directing the Time and Mode of collecting the Arrearages of Taxes in the several Counties in this State, passed at Burlington, the 25th Day of November, 1790,' was read and compared.

Resolved, That the same do pass.

Ordered, That the Speaker do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. Runyan do carry the said Bill to Council for Concurrence.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act appointing Commissioners to run and ascertain the Partition Line between the Townships of Newark and Aquackanunk, in the County of Essex,' was read a second Time and ordered a third Reading.

The Petition from sundry Inhabitants of the County of Bergen, read on the 29th ultimo, was read a second time; whereupon,

Ordered, That the Petitioners have Leave to present a Bill on the first Monday in the next Sitting, to answer the Prayer of their Petition, on advertising the Purport of the Bill they mean to present, for at least three Weeks previous thereto, with a Copy of this Order, in three of the most public Places in the Precinct of Hackinsack.

The engrossed Bill, intituled, 'An Act for the Support of the Government of the State of New-Jersey,' was read and compared.

Resolved unanimously, That the same do pass.

Ordered, That the Speaker do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. Van Cleve do carry the said Bill to the Council for Concurrence.

A Petition from the County of *Gloucester*, praying Measures may be taken to revive and amend the Constitution of this State, was read, and ordered a second Reading.

A Petition from the Township of *Roxbury*, in the County of *Morris*, praying a Law to direct the Town-Meeting to be held in a different Place, than where they usually meet, was read, and ordered a second Reading.

A Petition from *Peter Smith*, praying that the Depreciation of his Pay, while he was a Corporal in the 3d *Jersey* Regiment, may be paid to him by the State of *New-Jersey*, was read, and ordered a second Reading.

*The House adjourned to Three o'Clock, P. M.*

*The House met.*

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to repeal an Act, intituled, A supplemental Act to the Act, intituled, An Act to punish Traitors and disaffected Persons,' was read a third Time.

*Resolved*, That the same do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Wallace* do carry the said Bill to Council, and acquaint them that the same is passed by this House without Amendment.

A Petition from sundry Inhabitants of the Counties of *Hunterdon* and *Middlesex* praying a Law may be passed to direct the Obstructions in the free Course of the Waters of *Stony-Brook* to be removed, was read a second Time.

*Ordered*, That the Petitioners have Leave to present a Bill, to answer the Prayer of their Petition on the next Sitting, previously advertising the Purport of the Bill they mean to present, and a Copy of this Order, in three of the most public Places in *Princeton*, for at least three Weeks previous thereto.

The Bill, intituled, 'A Supplement to the Act, intituled, An Act to build a Toll-Bridge over the River *Raritan*, at the City of *New-Brunswick*,' was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act appointing Commissioners to run and ascertain the Partition Line, between the Townships of *Newark* and *Aquackanunk*, in the County of *Essex*, was read a third Time.

*Resolved*, That the same do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Whillden* do carry the said Bill to Council, and acquaint them, that the same is passed by this House without Amendment.

*Resolved*, That when the House adjourn, they adjourn to meet at *Trenton*.

The engrossed Bill, intituled, 'An Act to defray Incidental Charges,' was read a third Time, debated, and ordered to be engrossed.

*The House adjourned till to-morrow Morning, Nine o'Clock.*

Friday, November 25, 1791.

*The House met.*

The Bill, intituled, 'A Supplement to the Act, intituled, An Act to build a Toll-Bridge over the River *Raritan*, at the City of *New-Brunswick*,' was read a third Time.

*Resolved*, That the same do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Woodruff* do carry to Council the said Bill, and acquaint them that the same is passed by this House without Amendment.

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The Warrant of *Mary Winter*, passed the 11th *June*, 1781, being laid before the House, full of Indorsements, was ordered to be renewed, and was renewed accordingly.

Ordered, That *Mr. Inlay* do carry the said Warrant to Council for Concurrence.

A Motion was made to resume the Consideration of the Bill, intituled, 'An Act to authorize the Governor to subscribe, for the Use of this State, one Hundred Shares in the General Manufactory to be established in this State.

On the Question, whether the House agree thereto? It was carried in the Affirmative, as follows:

Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
<i>Mr. Bidleman</i>	<i>Mr. Newbold</i>	<i>Mr. Anderson</i>
<i>Mr. Blackwood</i>	<i>Mr. Runyan</i>	<i>Mr. Berry</i>
<i>Mr. Combs,</i>	<i>Mr. Sinnickson</i>	<i>Mr. Burgin</i>
<i>Mr. Condict</i>	<i>Mr. Smith</i>	<i>Mr. Clark</i>
<i>Mr. Dayton</i>	<i>Mr. Starke</i>	<i>Mr. Haring</i>
<i>Mr. D. Vroom</i>	<i>Mr. Stockton</i>	<i>Mr. Inlay</i>
<i>Mr. Fithian</i>	<i>Mr. Van Cleve</i>	<i>Mr. Kingsland,</i>
<i>Mr. Hedden</i>	<i>Mr. Vredenberg</i>	<i>Mr. Little</i>
<i>Mr. Helmes</i>	<i>Mr. Williamson</i>	<i>Mr. Stillwell</i>
<i>Mr. Linn</i>	<i>Mr. Woodruff.</i>	<i>Mr. E. Townsend</i>
<i>Mr. Lowrey</i>		<i>Mr. R. Townsend</i>
<i>Mr. Lloyd</i>		<i>Mr. Whillden.</i>

An Amendment was moved to the Bill, to strike out the second Section, and insert the following:

"Be it enacted by the Council and General Assembly of this State, and it is hereby enacted by the Authority of the same. That the Governor of the State for the Time being be; and he is hereby authorized, directed and empowered, to subscribe, on the Part, and for the Use of this State, 100 Shares to the Manufactory, to be established within this State, agreeably to an Act of the Legislature, intituled, 'An Act to incorporate the Contributors to the Society for establishing useful Manufactures and for the further Encouragement of the said Society, passed at *Trenton* the 22d Day of *November*, in the Year of our Lord 1791,' and to do and perform all and every Act and Deed, which this State shall or may be entitled or authorized to do and perform, by, and in Consequence of the said Subscription; and the Treasurer of this State, for the Time being, is hereby directed to pay to the Governor of this State, for the Time being, such Sums of Money, as may enable him to comply with the Terms of the said Subscription."

On the Question, whether the House agree to the said Amendment? It was carried in the Affirmative, as follows:

Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
<i>Mr. Anderson</i>	<i>Mr. Lloyd</i>	<i>Mr. Berry</i>
<i>Mr. Bidleman</i>	<i>Mr. Newbold</i>	<i>Mr. Burgin</i>
<i>Mr. Blackwood</i>	<i>Mr. Runyan</i>	<i>Mr. Clark</i>
<i>Mr. Combs</i>	<i>Mr. Sinnickson</i>	<i>Mr. Haring</i>
<i>Mr. Condict</i>	<i>Mr. Smith</i>	<i>Mr. Inlay</i>
<i>Mr. Dayton</i>	<i>Mr. Starke</i>	<i>Mr. Kingsland</i>
<i>Mr. D. Vroom</i>	<i>Mr. Stillwell</i>	<i>Mr. Little</i>
<i>Mr. Fithian</i>	<i>Mr. Van Cleve</i>	<i>Mr. E. Townsend</i>
<i>Mr. Hedden</i>	<i>Mr. Vredenberg</i>	<i>Mr. R. Townsend</i>
<i>Mr. Helmes</i>	<i>Mr. Wallace</i>	<i>Mr. Whillden.</i>
<i>Mr. Linn</i>	<i>Mr. Williamson</i>	
<i>Mr. Lowrey</i>	<i>Mr. Woodruff.</i>	

On the Question, whether the House agree to the said Section, as amended?  
It was carried in the Affirmative, as follows :

Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Mr. Bidleman,	Mr. Newbold,	Mr. Anderson,
Mr. Blackwoud,	Mr. Runyan,	Mr. Berry,
Mr. Condit,	Mr. Sinnickson,	Mr. Burgin,
Mr. Dayton,	Mr. Starke,	Mr. Clark,
Mr. D. Vroom,	Mr. Smith,	Mr. Combs,
Mr. Fithian,	Mr. Stockton,	Mr. Haring,
Mr. Hedden,	Mr. Van Cleve,	Mr. Imlay,
Mr. Helmes,	Mr. Vredenberg,	Mr. Kingstand,
Mr. Linn,	Mr. Wallace,	Mr. Little,
Mr. Lowrey,	Mr. Williamson,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Lloyd,	Mr. Woodruff.	Mr. E. Townsend,
		Mr. R. Townsend,
		Mr. Whillden.

Ordered, That the said Bill be engrossed.

On Motion,

*Resolved*, That a List of the Furniture belonging to the Legislature of the State be taken by the Clerk of this House, and a Copy of the same be lodged with the Treasurer of the State, and that the Clerk of this House take the said Furniture into his Charge, and be accountable for the same.

A Message from his Excellency the Governor, by Mr. Secretary *Reed*, was presented in the following Words :

*Gentlemen of the General Assembly,*

**I** RECEIVED last Evening Information from *James Ewing*, Esquire, Commissioner of Loans for *New-Jersey*, that he had completed his Estimate of the Debt of this State, subscribed to the Loan, proposed by the United States, and that it amounts to no more than 599,703 56-100 Dollars, subject to Correction of Errors in Calculation.]

It is generally supposed, that if the Time of taking in Subscriptions to the Loan was enlarged, several Persons would come in and subscribe, who have hitherto been prevented by a Variety of Accidents and Circumstances. I think it proper to lay this Information before you, that you may adopt such Measures, respecting the Business, as may be judged most proper. Instant Decision is necessary on the Occasion, as Congress will in all Probability adjourn, before you again meet in Session.

25th November, 1791.

WM. PATERSON.

Whereupon, *Resolved*, That the Members from this State in the Congress of the United States, be informed, that it is the Wish of the Legislature, that the Time for funding the Debt of the individual States be further extended.

Mr. *Mayhew*, from Council, presented the following Resolution for Concurrence :

*Resolved*, That the Governor of this State be requested to write to the Senators and Representatives of this State in the Congress of the United States, and to desire them to use their Endeavours to procure an Enlargement of the Time for subscribing the Debt of this State, to the Loan proposed by the United States.

*Resolved*, That the House do concur therein.

Ordered, That Mr. *Berry* do wait on Council and inform them thereof.

Mr. *Mayhew* further informed the House, that Council agree to the Resolution relative to appointing *Isaac Neale* to print the Laws ; and that the Bill for the Support of the Government of the State of *New-Jersey*, and the Bill, intituled, ' A Supplement to an Act, intituled, An Act directing the Time and Mode of collecting the Arrearages of Taxes in the several Counties in this State, passed at ' *Burlington*, 20th November, 1790.'

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Mr. *Mayhew* also presented the Bill, intituled, 'An Act to direct the Mode of appointing a Clerk of the Circuit Court, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,' with the Amendment made thereto by Council, to which he requested the Concurrence of this House.

Which was read, and the Amendment being read in its Place, was disagreed to; Whereupon,

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Bidleman* do carry the said Bill and Amendments to the Council, and acquaint them that this House adhere to their Bill.

The engrossed Bill, intituled, 'An Act to authorize the Governor of this State to subscribe to the General Manufactory, to be established in this State,' was read and compared.

On the Question, whether the same do pass? It was carried in the Affirmative, as follows:

Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Mr. <i>Bidleman</i> ,	Mr. <i>Newbold</i> ,	Mr. <i>Anderson</i> ,
Mr. <i>Blackwood</i> ,	Mr. <i>Runyan</i> ,	Mr. <i>Berry</i> ,
Mr. <i>Condit</i> ,	Mr. <i>Sinnickson</i> ,	Mr. <i>Burgin</i> ,
Mr. <i>Dayton</i> ,	Mr. <i>Smith</i> ,	Mr. <i>Clark</i> ,
Mr. <i>D. Vroom</i> ,	Mr. <i>Starke</i> ,	Mr. <i>Combs</i> ,
Mr. <i>Fithian</i> ,	Mr. <i>Stockton</i> .	Mr. <i>Haring</i> ,
Mr. <i>Hedden</i> ,	Mr. <i>Van Cleve</i> ,	Mr. <i>Inlay</i> ,
Mr. <i>Helmes</i> ,	Mr. <i>Vredenberg</i> ,	Mr. <i>Kingland</i> ,
Mr. <i>Linn</i> ,	Mr. <i>Wallace</i> ,	Mr. <i>Little</i> ,
Mr. <i>Lowrey</i> ,	Mr. <i>Williamson</i> ,	Mr. <i>Stillwell</i> ,
Mr. <i>Lloyd</i> ,	Mr. <i>Woodruff</i> .	Mr. <i>E. Townsend</i> ,
		Mr. <i>R. Townsend</i> ,
		Mr. <i>Whillden</i> .

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Lowrey*, do carry the said Bill to Council for Concurrence.

Mr. *Lambert*, from Council, informed the House, that Council adhere to their Amendments made to the Bill, intituled, 'An Act to direct the Mode of appointing a Clerk of the Circuit Courts, and for other Purposes therein mentioned.'

Mr. *Eldredge*, from Council, informed the House, that Council had passed the Bill, intituled, 'An Act to authorize the Governor of this State to subscribe to the General Manufactory, to be established in this State, without Amendment.'

Mr. *Cook* informed the House, that Council had passed the Bill, intituled, 'An Act for defraying Incidental Charges,' without Amendment.

*The House adjourned to meet at Trenton, on the third Tuesday in May next.*

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N E W - J E R S E Y.

TRENTON, May 15, 1792.

PURSUANT to the Adjournment at the last Sitting, the following Members met, *to wit* :

Mr. SPEAKER,

Mr. *Kingsland*,  
Mr. *Berry*,  
Mr. *Dayton*,  
Mr. *Williamson*,  
Mr. *Vredenberg*,  
Mr. *Runyan*,  
Mr. *Linn*,  
Mr. *Stockton*,  
Mr. *D. Vroom*,  
Mr. *Anderson*,  
Mr. *Blackwood*,

Mr. *Lloyd*,  
Mr. *Whilden*,  
Mr. *Condit*,  
Mr. *Starke*,  
Mr. *Smith*,  
Mr. *Burgin*,  
Mr. *Fithian*,  
Mr. *Hankinson*,  
Mr. *Helmes*,  
Mr. *Bidleman*.

Ordered, That Mr. *Anderson* do wait on the Council and inform them that a Quorum of the Assembly have met, and this Day proceeded to Business.

A Petition from *Henry Bragg*, a Prisoner confined in the Gaol of the County of *Cumberland*, and a Petition from *Bethuel Ball*, a Prisoner confined in the Gaol of the County of *Morris*, praying the Benefit of an Act of Insolvency, were read and committed to Messrs. *Helmes, Dayton and Whilden*.

*Ordered,*

*Ordered*, That Messrs. *Condict*, *Blackwood* and *Helmes*, be a Committee to examine the Minutes of the last Sitting, and to report such Business as was referred or remained unfinished.

*The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine o'Clock.*

Wednesday, May 16, 1792.

*The House met.*

Mr. *Wallace*, Mr. *Woodruff*, Mr. *Clark*, Mr. *Combs*, Mr. *Stillwell*, Mr. *Little*, Mr. *E. Townsend*, Mr. *R. Townsend*, Mr. *Imlay*, Mr. *Newbold*, Mr. *Van Cleve*, severally attended and took their Seats, and having rendered Excuses for their Non-attendance yesterday,

*Resolved*, That the same are satisfactory.

Mr. *Condict* from the Committee appointed to examine the Minutes of the last Sitting, and to report such Business as was referred or remain unfinished, brought in a Report which was read and ordered to be filed.

The Governor's Message of the 1st. *November* last, was read with the Papers accompanying the same, and ordered to be filed.

The Memorial of *John Vreeland* was read a second Time, and committed to Messrs. *Woodruff*, *Imlay* and *Blackwood*.

The Petition from *Silas Hopkins*, was read a second Time and committed to Messrs. *Van Cleve*, *D. Vroom*, *Burgin* and *Helmes* to report thereon.

The Speaker laid before the House the following Account of Monies cancelled in the Treasury of the State as follows:

Account of Loan-Office Money cancelled at the Treasury of the State of *New-Jersey*, on the 17th, and 19th, Days of *March* 1792, by *Benjamin Van Cleve* and *James Ewing*, agreeably to a Law passed *November* 30, 1789.

Denominations.	120/.	60/.	30/.	15/.	12/.	6/.	3/.	1/.	AMOUNT.		
									L.	S.	D.
Number of Bundles.	1					511	417	309	231	6	
	2					314	250	435	153	9	
	3					337	425	417	185	14	
	4					354	340	184	166	8	
	5					264	258	211	128	9	
	6					333	317	270	160	19	
	7					379	311	325	176	12	
	8					331	291	142	150	1	
	9					327	288	306	156	12	
	10					273	341	203	143	4	
	11					258	225	267	124	10	
	12					284	336	423	156	15	
	13					128	294	220	93	19	
	14					61	200	510	73	16	
	15					369	313	207	168		
	16		2	47	161	290	1	5	17	373	3
Total.			2	47	161	290	4524	4614	4446	2642	17

We do hereby certify, that in Pursuance of the Directions contained in an Act of Assembly, passed *November* 30 1789, we have counted, inspected and cancelled in the Treasury of the State of *New-Jersey*, Sixteen Bundles of Loan-Office Money of the said State, containing Two Thousand Six Hundred



dred and Forty-two Pounds Seventeen Shillings, agreeably to the above Invoice. Witness our Hands this 20th Day of *March* 1792.

BENJAMIN VAN CLEVE,  
JAMES EWING.

Account of Revenue Money cancelled in the Treasury of the State of *New-Jersey* on the 20th *March*, 1792.

Denominations.											A MOUNT.		
	120/.	60/.	30/.	15/.	12/.	7/6	5/.	3/9	2/6		L.	S.	D.
Number of Bundles, and of Bills in each Bundle.	1	11	48	57	62	4 <sup>b</sup>	31	30	33	32	400	2	3
	2	5	14	25	29	35	31	23	31	18	177	13	9
	3	13	22	31	31	25	24	22	46	33	259	15	
	4	10	31	3 <sup>b</sup>	24	38	35	30	30	31	280	18	6
	5	15	26	31	33	36	20	30	30	22	284	4	6
	6	9	40	43	37	49	12	22	28	33	315		6
	7	11	38	28	46	37	36	24	38	26	308	11	6
	8	27	44	77	86	77	48	47	52	45	560	16	6
	9	26	51	50	65	68	54	95	27	24	525	12	3
	10	10	39	34	44	44	29	24	31	20	312	11	9
	11	5	12	22	12	28	41	30	23	41	159	2	3
	12	4	22	29	48	41	30	42	36	16	224	12	
	13	1	12	11	4	22	38	26	35	33	106	2	9
	14		1	4	3	9	16	41	27	24	40	19	3
	15	17	49	49	47	42	22	17	19	16	401		3
Total.	164	449	529	565	599	477	511	486	414	4357	3	0	

We do hereby Certify, that in pursuance of the Directions contained in an Act of Assembly passed *November* 30th 1789, we have counted, inspected, and cancelled in the Treasury of the State of *New-Jersey*, Fifteen Bundles of Revenue Money of the State aforesaid, containing Four Thousand Three Hundred and Fifty-seven Pounds Three Shillings, agreeably to the above Invoice. Witness our Hands this 20th Day of *March*, 1792.

BENJAMIN VAN CLEVE,  
JAMES EWING.

The Speaker also laid before the House a Letter from *James Mott*, Esq. Treasurer of the State, informing the House that he has in his Possession, £7,000 Revenue and Loan-Office Money, cancelled by *James Ewing* and *Benjamin Van Cleve*, Esqrs. and desiring the Legislature to give further Direction respecting the same; whereupon,

Ordered, That Messrs. *Clark*, *Little*, *Imlay*, *Helmes*, and *Newbold*, be a Committee to join a Committee of Council, to count and burn the cancelled Money in the Treasury, and that Mr. *Berry* do wait on the Council and request them to appoint a Committee to join the Committee of this House for that Purpose.

A Message from the Council was delivered by Mr. *Outwater*, informing that a sufficient Number of Members of the Council, have this Day met and proceeded to Business.

The Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize the Treasurer to pay certain Sums of Money, due to the Citizens of this State," with the Petitions of *Eleanor Vanmater*, *John Stevens*, *William Rudrow*, *Joseph Cowperthwaite*, and *William Fowler*, and the Papers accompanying the same, were read and committed to Messrs. *Linn*, *Williamson*, *Little*, *Burgin*, and *Whilden*.

The Petition from *Morris* County was read a second Time and dismissed.

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The Petition of *Elizabeth Kearney*, was read a second Time, and the Petition of *John Perrine*, was also read a second Time, and referred to Messrs. *Woodruff*, *Williamson*, and *Newbold*, who are directed to bring in a Bill for the Collection of Debts due to the State of *New-Jersey* on forfeited Estates.

The Petition of *Zechariah Price*, and the Report of Mr. *Linn* of the 29th *November*, and 28th *October* last, were read and ordered for further Consideration on Friday next.

The Petition from *Roxbury*, in the County of *Morris*, praying that a Law may be passed to direct their Town-Meetings to be hereafter held at *Flanders* in said Township, was read a second Time and ordered to be dismissed.

*The House adjourned to Three o'Clock, P. M.*

*The House met.*

A Petition from sundry Inhabitants of the Township of *Greenwich* in the County of *Suffex*, praying Permission to amend their Roads by Tax, was read and referred to the Committee appointed to bring in a Road Act.

Mr. *Condict* from the Committee to whom was referred the Petitions from *Dover* and *Little Egg-Harbour*, on the 21st. *November* last, reported, That in the opinion of your Committee, the Prayer of the said Petitions ought not to be granted, as the same cannot be done without manifest Injustice to other Parts of the State.

By Order of the Committee,

SILAS CONDUCT:

Ordered, That the said Report be read a second Time, on Saturday next, with the Petitions referred to therein.

The Petition from the County of *Gloucester*, praying a Revision of the Constitution of the State, was read a second Time and ordered to be filed.

The Report of Mr. *Woodruff* on the Petition of *William Griffith*, made to this House on the 16th of *November* last, was read with the said Petition, and postponed for Consideration on Tuesday next.

The Petition from sundry Inhabitants of the State, praying that Persons may be appointed to enforce the penal Laws of the State, were read a second Time and dismissed.

A Petition from *Morris* County, on the Subject of Weights and Measures, was read a second Time, and ordered to be dismissed.

The Petition from *Gloucester* County, requesting a Revision of the penal Laws of the State, was read a second Time, and postponed for Consideration on Tuesday next.

The Petition from *Samuel Pleasants*, stating a Demand against the forfeited Estate of *Gabriel De Vebber*, was read a second Time, and committed to Messrs. *Linn*, *Williamson*, *Little*, *Burgin* and *Whilden*, to report thereon.

Mr. *Randolph* from Council, informed the House that Council had appointed Messrs. *Cook* and *Outwater*, or either of them, a Committee to join the Committee of this House to burn the cancelled Money in the Treasury.

The Memorial of *Edward Thomas*, read on the 3d of *November* last, and the Petitions from *Essex*, *Bergen*, and *Morris*, read on the 1st. of *November* last, were read a second Time, and referred to Messrs. *Woodruff*, *Williamson*, and *Newbold*.

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The Bill intitled, “ An Act for the more equal Representation of the Inhabitants of the several Counties of this State in the House of Assembly,” was read a second Time and postponed for further Consideration on Tuesday next, at Three o’Clock, P. M.

A Petition from a Majority of the Vestry and Members of the Episcopal Church of St. Mary in Burlington, praying certain Alterations in the Charter of Incorporation granted to that Society, was read and ordered a second Reading.

The Bill intitled, “ A Supplement to an Act intitled, an Act for the Relief and Support of maimed and disabled Officers, Soldiers, and Seamen, and of the Widows and Children of such as fall in Battle, or otherwise lose their Lives in the Military or Naval Service,” was read a second Time and dismissed.

*The House adjourned till To-Morrow Morning Nine o’Clock.*

Thursday, May 17, 1792.

*The House met.*

The Bill intitled, “ An Act to authorize Benjamin Jones, jun. of the County of Burlington, his Heirs and Assigns, to erect and maintain a Dam for the Purpose of accommodating Mills, on the North Branch of Rancocas near a Place called Slab-Bridge,” was read a second Time, debated and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Van Cleve from the Committee, to whom was referred the Petition of Silas Hopkins of the County of Sussex, reported as follows,

That although there appears some Propriety in the Claim of the Petitioner, yet as the Bond given by the Person whose Estate was confiscated, and against which his Claim is not produced, nor a Copy of the Judgment obtained thereon, that this House ought not, in the present Situation of the Business, to direct the Treasurer to issue a Certificate for the Petitioner’s Demand.

By Order of the Committee,

BENJAMIN VAN CLEVE.

*Ordered*, That the Petition and Report thereon, be referred to the next Sitting.

Sundry Petitions from Prisoners confined in several of the Gaols of this State, praying the Benefit of an Act of Insolvency, were read and ordered to be referred to the Committee to whom were referred the several Petitions heretofore presented on the same Subject, and that Messrs. Woodruff, and Williamson be added to that Committee.

A Petition from Philip Cummins, stating a Demand against the State, was read and referred to the Committee appointed to bring in a Bill for defraying incidental Charges.

A Petition from Gaspa Ackerman, stating a Demand against the forfeited Estate of Cornelius John Van Horn, and praying Payment from the State, was read and referred to the Committee to whom were referred the several Petitions stating Claims against forfeited Estates.

A Petition from the Justices and chosen Freeholders of the County of Somerset, praying that a Law may be passed, directing how Prisoners confined

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in the Gaol of their County shall be supported and maintained, was read and ordered a second Reading.

A Petition from *John Rose*, late a Soldier in the first *New-Jersey* Regiment, praying a Compensation for the Depreciation of his Pay while in the Service of the State, was read and referred to Messrs. *Woodruff*, *Imlay*, and *Blackwood*.

A Petition from *Thomas Anderson*, Esq. of the County of *Suffex*, praying that a Law may be passed to authorize the Prosecution of Bonds given by Sheriffs, for the due Execution of that Office before the late Revolution, was read and committed to Messrs. *Williamson*, *Woodruff*, and *Linn*, to report a Bill agreeably to the Prayer of that Petition.

A Petition from *Joseph Alston*, stating a Demand against the forfeited Estate of *David Alston*, was read and referred to Messrs. *Williamson*, *Linn*, *Whilden*, *Burkin*, and *Little*, to report thereon.

A Petition from *Joseph Reeder*, of the County of *Suffex*, was read and dismissed.

*The House adjourned to Three o'Clock, P. M.*

*The House met.*

Mr. *Condit* from the Council informed this House, that Council had agreed to the Warrant entitling *Mary Winter* to draw the Amount of her late Husband's Half-Pay, sent to Council last Sitting for Concurrence.

A Message from his Excellency the Governor, was presented by Mr. Secretary *Reed* in the Words following:

*Trenton, 17 May, 1792.*

*Gentlemen of the General Assembly.*

I lay before you a Copy of certain Resolutions, passed by the Legislature of *Georgia*, which I lately received from his Excellency the Governor of that State; the Original will be deposited in the Secretary's Office, agreeably to an Act passed at the last Sitting of the Legislature---I subscribed on the Part, and for the Use of the State, One Hundred Shares to the Manufactory to be established within this State, and have made the first Payment, pursuant to the Directions of the said Act.

I lay before you such of the Acts passed by Congress at their last Session, as have been transmitted by the Secretary of State, and a Return of the whole Number of Persons within the several Districts of the United States.

WILLIAM PATERSON.

*Ordered*, That the said Message, and Papers accompanying the same, be filed.

Agreeably to the Order of the House, the Report of Mr. *D. Vroom*, on the Petition of Colonel *Samuel Potter*, was read a second Time, and Colonel *Potter* being present, was heard before the House on the Subject of the Facts stated in the said Report.

On the Question, whether the House agree to the said Report, it was carried in the Affirmative.

The engrossed Bill, intituled, "An Act to authorize *Benjamin Jones*, jun. of the County of *Burlington*, his Heirs and Assigns, to erect and main-

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tain a Dam, for the Purpose of accommodating Mills, on the North Branch of *Rancocus*, near a Place called *Slab-Bridge*", was read and compared.

*Resolved unanimously*, that the same do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Hankinson* do carry the said Bill to Council for concurrence.

*The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine o'Clock.*

Friday, May 18, 1792.

*The House met.*

A Petition from *Charles Bowlsby* of the County of *Morris*, praying that an Act may pass, to divorce him from *Catharine* his Wife, was read and ordered a second Reading.

Mr *Sinnickson* and Mr. *Hedden* attended and took their Seats, and having rendered an Excuse for their Non-Attendance,

*Resolved* That the same are Satisfactory.

A Petition from *Benjamin Dunn*, by *Thompson Stelle* his Attorney, was read and committed to Messrs. *Woodruff*, *Williamson*, and *Newbold*.

A Petition from *Silvanus Addoms*, Executor and Co. of *Samuel Crowell*, deceased, stating a Demand for Monies due the said deceased, from the forfeited Estate of *Joseph Crowell*, and praying Payment, was read and committed, with several Obligations accompanying the same, to Messrs. *Linn*, *Williamson*, *Little*, *Burgin*, and *Whilden*.

A Memorial from *William Beekman*, and *Paul Millar*, stating a Demand against the State, and praying Payment, was read and committed to Messrs. *Condit*, *Fithian*, and *Williamson*.

A Petition from *Andrew Smyth*, only Child of *John Smyth*, late of *Amboy*, praying that the State would grant him such a Part of the real Estate of his late Father, as remains unsold by the Agents of the State of *New-Jersey*, was read and committed to Messrs. *Woodruff*, *Williamson* and *Newbold*.

A Petition from *Rachael Cortwright*, stating a Demand against the forfeited Estate of *Solomon Cortwright*, was read and committed to Messrs. *Linn*, *Williamson*, *Burgin*, *Little*, and *Whilden*, to report thereon.

The Report of Mr. *Little*, on the Petition of *Barnes I. Smock*, as entered on the Minutes of the last Sitting, was read a second Time; On the Question whether the Evidence before the House is sufficient Proof that the Lands sold by the Commissioners of *Monmouth* referred to in Mr. *Smock's* Petition, was sold by them clear of Incumbrances; it was carried in the Negative.

On the Question whether the House will admit the Commissioners as Witnesses under Oath, to prove that the Property sold to Mr. *Walton* and afterwards sold to Mr. *Smock*, was by the said Commissioners sold clear of all Incumbrances, when there is no Covenants of Warranty to that Effect contained in the Deed.

It was carried in the Negative as follows.

Nays

Nays,  
 Mr. *Anderson*,  
 Mr. *Bidleman*,  
 Mr. *Blackwood*,  
 Mr. *Burgin*,  
 Mr. *Clark*,  
 Mr. *Condict*,  
 Mr. *Fithian*,  
 Mr. *Helmes*,  
 Mr. *Linn*,  
 Mr. *Loyd*,  
 Mr. *Newbold*,  
 Mr. *Sinnickson*,  
 Mr. *Stockton*,  
 Mr. *E. Townsend*,  
 Mr. *R. Townsend*,  
 Mr. *Whilden*,  
 Mr. *Wallace*.

Yeas,  
 Mr. *Berry*,  
 Mr. *Combs*,  
 Mr. *Dayton*,  
 Mr. *D. Vroom*,  
 Mr. *Hankinson*,  
 Mr. *Imlay*,  
 Mr. *Kingland*,  
 Mr. *Little*,  
 Mr. *Runyan*,  
 Mr. *Smith*,  
 Mr. *Starke*,  
 Mr. *Stillwell*,  
 Mr. *Van Cleve*,  
 Mr. *Vredenberg*,  
 Mr. *Williamson*,  
 Mr. *Woodruff*.

On the Question, whether the House agree to the Report of Mr. *Little*, it was carried in the Negative as follows.

Nays.	Nays.	Yeas.
Messrs. <i>Anderson</i> ,	Messrs. <i>Kingland</i> ,	Messrs. <i>Combs</i> ,
<i>Berry</i> ,	<i>Linn</i> ,	<i>Dayton</i> ,
<i>Bidleman</i> ,	<i>Loyd</i> ,	<i>Imlay</i> ,
<i>Blackwood</i> ,	<i>Newbold</i> ,	<i>Little</i> ,
<i>Burgin</i> ,	<i>Sinnickson</i> ,	<i>Runyan</i> ,
<i>Clark</i> ,	<i>Smith</i> ,	<i>Starke</i> ,
<i>Condict</i> ,	<i>Stockton</i> ,	<i>Stillwell</i> ,
<i>D. Vroom</i> ,	<i>E. Townsend</i> ,	<i>Van Cleve</i> ,
<i>Fithian</i> ,	<i>R. Townsend</i> ,	<i>Vredenberg</i> ,
<i>Hankinson</i> ,	<i>Wallace</i> ,	<i>Williamson</i> ,
<i>Helmes</i> ,	<i>Whilden</i> .	<i>Woodruff</i> .

*Ordered*, That the Papers on which the said Report was formed be dismissed.

*The House adjourned to Threc o'Clock, P. M.*

*The House met.*

A Petition from *Francis Hoover*, praying, for Reasons therein contained, that an Act may be passed to divorce him from *Elizabeth* his Wife, was read; whereupon,

*Ordered*, That the said Petitioner have Leave to present a Bill to answer the Prayer of his Petition, on *Tuesday* the 29th instant, at Three o'Clock in the Afternoon, he previously serving his said Wife with a Copy of his Petition, and also with a Copy of this Order, at least Eight Days.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Blackwood* do wait on the Council, and inform them that this House are ready to go into a Joint-Meeting, and to request that Council will appoint the Time and Place of meeting, as soon as may be convenient.

Mr.



Mr. *Mayhew* from Council, informed the House, that Council had passed the Bill intituled, “ An Act to authorize *Benjamin Jones*, junior, his Heirs and Assigns, to erect and maintain a Dam, for the Purpose of accomodating Mills on the North Branch of *Rancocus*, near a Place called *Slab-Bridge*,” without Amendment.

Mr. *Lambert*, from Council, informed the House, that Council will be ready to go into a Joint-Meeting, on *Wednesday* next, at Three o’Clock in the Afternoon at the Assembly-Room.

The Report of Mr. *Linn*, of the 29th *October* last, on the Petitions of *Robert Nixon*, *Richard Hanlon*, *George M’Elroy* and others, was read a second Time, and the Parties heard before the House on the Subject of that Business; Mr. *David Olden*, Agent of forfeited Estates for the County of *Middlesex*, being examined as a Witness for the Parties before the House:

On the Question, whether the House agree to the said Report, it was carried in the Negative.

Nays.	Nays.	Yeas.
Mr. <i>Anderson</i> ,	Mr. <i>Little</i> ,	Messrs. <i>Blackwood</i> ,
Mr. <i>Berry</i> ,	Mr. <i>Runyan</i> ,	<i>Clark</i> ,
Mr. <i>Bidleman</i> ,	Mr. <i>Starke</i> ,	<i>Condict</i> ,
Mr. <i>Burgin</i> ,	Mr. <i>Stillwell</i> ,	<i>D. Vroom</i> ,
Mr. <i>Combs</i> ,	Mr. <i>R. Townsend</i> ,	<i>Hankinson</i> ,
Mr. <i>Dayton</i> ,	Mr. <i>Van Cleve</i> ,	<i>Helmès</i> ,
Mr. <i>Fithian</i> ,	Mr. <i>Vredenberg</i> ,	<i>Linn</i> ,
Mr. <i>Hedden</i> ,	Mr. <i>Williamson</i> ,	<i>Lloyd</i> ,
Mr. <i>Imlay</i> ,	Mr. <i>Whilden</i> ,	<i>Newhold</i> ,
Mr. <i>Kingland</i> ,	Mr. <i>Woodruff</i> .	<i>Sinnickson</i> ,
		<i>Smith</i> ,
		<i>Stockton</i> ,
		<i>E. Townsend</i> ,
		<i>Wallace</i> .

Whereupon, Ordered, That the Petitioners, *Robert Nixon*, *Richard Hanlon*, *George M’Elroy*, and *Lewis Silvers*, have Leave to present a Bill, to answer the Prayer of their Petitions.

The Petition of *David Baird* was ordered to be filed.

The Report of Mr. *Linn* of the 24th of *November* last, on the Petition of *Zechariah Price*, was read and disagreed to; whereupon,

Ordered, That the Petition of *Zechariah Price* be filed.

Ordered, That Mr. *Stockton* have leave of Absence until *Monday* next.

*The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine o’Clock.*

Saturday, May 19, 1792.

*The House met.*

Mr. *Clark*, from the Committee, appointed to join a Committee of Council, to receive from the Treasurer the cancelled Money, and to burn the same, made the following Report, to wit.

Account

Account of Loan-Office Money, cancelled at the Treasury of the State of *New-Jersey*, on the 17th and 19th Days of *March*, 1792, by *Benjamin Van Cleve* and *James Ewing*, Esquires, agreeably to a Law passed *November* 30, 1789.

Denominations.		120f.	60f.	30f.	15f.	12f.	6f.	3f.	1f.	AMOUNT.		
										L.	S.	D.
Number of Bundles.	1						511	417	309	231	6	
	2						314	250	435	153	9	
	3						337	425	417	185	14	
	4						354	340	184	166	8	
	5						264	258	211	128	9	
	6						333	317	270	160	19	
	7						379	311	325	176	12	
	8						331	291	142	150	1	
	9						327	288	306	156	12	
	10						273	341	203	143	4	
	11						258	225	267	124	10	
	12						284	336	423	156	15	
	13						128	297	220	93	19	
	14						61	200	510	73	16	
	15						369	313	207	168		
	16		2	47	161	290	1	5	17	373	3	
Total.			2	47	161	290	1524	4614	4446	2642	17	

Account of Revenue Money cancelled in the Treasury of the State of *New-Jersey* on the 20th Day of *March*, 1792, by *Benjamin Van Cleve*, and *James Ewing*, Esquires, agreeably to a Law passed *November* 30, 1789.

Denominations.		120f.	60f.	30f.	15f.	12f.	7f6	5f.	3f9	2f6	AMOUNT.		
											L.	S.	D.
Number of Bundles, and of Bills in each Bundle.	1	11	48	57	62	48	31	30	33	32	400	2	3
	2	5	14	25	29	35	31	23	31	18	177	13	9
	3	13	22	31	31	25	24	22	46	33	259	15	
	4	10	31	38	24	38	35	30	30	31	280	18	6
	5	15	26	31	33	36	20	30	30	22	284	4	6
	6	9	40	43	37	49	12	22	28	33	315		6
	7	11	38	28	46	37	36	24	38	26	308	11	6
	8	27	44	77	80	77	48	47	52	45	560	16	6
	9	26	51	50	65	68	54	95	27	24	525	12	3
	10	10	39	34	44	44	29	24	31	20	312	11	9
	11	5	12	22	12	28	41	30	23	41	159	2	3
	12	4	22	29	48	41	30	42	36	16	224	12	
	13	1	12	11	4	22	38	26	35	33	106	2	9
	14		1	4	3	9	16	41	27	24	40	19	3
	15	17	49	49	47	42	22	17	19	16	401		3
Total.		164	449	529	565	599	477	511	486	414	4357	3	0

We the Committee of both Houses, do hereby certify, that *James Mott*, Esquire, Treasurer, has delivered to us the Sum of Two Thousand Six Hundred and Forty-Two Pounds Seventeen Shillings Loan-Office Money, cancelled by *Benjamin Van Cleve* and *James Ewing*, Esquires, on the 17th and 19th Days of *March*, 1792; and the Sum of Four Thousand Three Hundred and Fifty-seven Pounds Three Shillings Revenue Money, cancelled by *Benjamin Van Cleve* and *James Ewing*, Esquires, on the 20th Day of *March*, 1792, agreeably to the foregoing Statement, which we have examined, counted, and burned.

By Order of the Committees,  
ELLIS COOK,  
THOMAS CLARK.

May 19, 1792.



A Petition from the Proprietors of Lands in *Ass-Swamp*, in *Essex* County, praying Leave to present a Bill to enable them to drain the said Swamp, was read.

*Ordered*, That the Petitioners have Leave to present a Bill, on shewing to the House that Three Week's public Notice has been given by the Petitioners, of their Intention of presenting a Bill for the Purpose aforesaid.

A Petition from *James Puff Lofey*, and *Joseph Aldricks*, insolvent Debtors confined in *Morris* County Gaol, were read, praying the Benefit of an Act of Insolvency, and committed to the Committee to whom were referred the other Petitions from insolvent Debtors.

A Petition from the Surveyors of the Roads of *Bergen* and *Essex* Counties, praying an Allowance of Fees for their Services, was read and committed to the Committee on the Road Act.

A Memorial from *Job Lippencott*, Esq. Coroner of *Burlington* County, praying that Provision may be made by Law, to grant a Compensation to Coroners, for extraordinary Services in the Execution of their Office, was read and ordered a second Reading with the Bill for regulating and paying the Fees of Coroners.

A Petition from *Monmouth* and *Burlington*, stating Difficulties in the equal Division of Lands held by Co-parceners, Joint-Tenants and Tenants in Common, was read and ordered a second Reading with the Bill before the House for the Division of Lands.

The Report of Mr. *Condict* of the 16th Instant, on the Petitions from *Dover* and *Little Egg-Harbour*, was read a second Time ; And the Petition from the Justices and Freeholders of the County of *Sussex*, was also read and the said Report agreed to by the House ; whereupon,

*Ordered*, That the said Petitions be dismissed.

Mr. *Williamson* from the Committee, appointed to bring in a Bill for choosing Representatives in Congress, in behalf of that Committee, desired to be informed whether it was the Pleasure of the House, that they should bring in a Bill for a general Election or a district Election.

*Ordered*, That the House immediately resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole ; upon which Mr. *Speaker* left the Chair, and Mr. *Van Cleve* was appointed Chairman of the Committee, and after some Time spent thereon, Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair, and Mr. *Van Cleve* Chairman of the Committee, reported that the Committee had made some Progress in the Business to them committed, and desired Leave to sit again ;

To which the House agreed.

*The House adjourned to Three o'Clock, P. M.*

*The House met.*

A Petition from *Mary Van Buskirk*, and *Abraham Van Buskirk*, Administrators of the Estate of *John Van Buskirk*, deceased, stating a Demand against the forfeited Estate of *John C. Meyer*, and praying Payment, was read and committed to Messrs. *Linn*, *Williamson*, *Little*, *Burgin*, and *Whilden*.

A Petition from *James Tallman*, Administrator and Co. of *Christopher Tallman*, deceased, stating that his Estate was confiscated and vested in this State, and praying Liberty to prosecute and recover the same, was read committed to Messrs. *Woodruff*, *Williamson*, and *Newbold*.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole ; whereupon,

Mr. *Speaker* left the Chair, and Mr. *Van Cleve* took the Chair of the Committee, and after some Time, the *Speaker* resumed the Chair, and Mr. *Van Cleve* Chairman of the Committee, reported, that they had gone thro' the Matters to them referred, and had come to the following Resolution, which he was ready to report when ever the House would please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be made immediately, whereupon,

The Chairman reported the Resolution of the Committee.

*Resolved*, That the Committee be instructed to bring in a Bill for a district Election.

On the Question, whether the House agree to the Report of the Committee, it was carried in the Negative.

The Governor's Message of the 17th Instant, which was filed on that Day, was called forward and committed to Messrs. *Hedden*, *Anderson*, and *Dayton*, to examine the several Papers accompanying the same, and to report thereon.

*The House adjourned till Monday Morning Ten o'Clock.*

**Monday, May 21, 1792.**

*The House met.*

Mr. *Condict* from the Committee, to whom was referred the Memorial of *William Beekman*, and *Paul Millar*, report, that it appears that the said *Paul Millar*, at his own Option, hath paid to *David Olden*, Agent of forfeited Estates for the County of *Middlesex*, the Sum of Two Hundred and Ninety-four Pounds and One Penny, on Account of the Estate of *William Walton*; and it appearing that the Monies or Certificates so paid, was not due to the said *William Walton*, it is therefore the Opinion of your Committee, that the said Sum of Two Hundred and Ninety-four Pounds and One Penny, ought to be refunded to the said *Paul Millar*, or to his Order.

By Order of the Committee,

SILAS CONDUCT.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be read a second Time.

The Bill intituled, " An Act to discharge *Jacob Arnold*, Esq. late Sheriff of " the County of *Morris* from certain Fines therein mentioned," was read a second Time, and after some Time spent thereon,

*Ordered*, That the further Consideration thereof be postponed.

A Petition from *Abraham Parsels* and *Jacob Parsels*, praying that the Legislature would order them a Proportion of their late Father's Estate, which was confiscated to, and vested in this State, was read and dismissed.

*Ordered* That the Petitioners of the County of *Bergen*, have Leave to present a Bill on the second Tuesday in the next Session, to enable the Owners and Possessors of the Meadows and Marshes, lying on and adjoining *Peck* or *English Creek*, to erect a Dam across the same to stop out the Tide, the better to improve the Meadows adjoining thereto, agreeably to the Prayer of the Petition, on advertising a Copy of this Order for at least Three Weeks previous



prevlous thereto, in Three of the most public Places in the Precinct of *Hackinsack*.

*The House adjourned to Three o'Clock, P. M.*

*The House met.*

A Petition from *Cyrenias Van Mater*, stating a Demand against the Estate of *Daniel Van Mater*, whose Estate was confiscated to, and vested in this State, was read and committed to Messrs. *Linn, Williamson, Little, Burgin, and Whilden*.

A Petition from the Members of the Society for the Promotion of Agriculture and domestic Manufactures in the County of *Burlington*, praying the Interposition of the Legislature for the Encouragement of the principal Objects of the said Society, was read and ordered a second Reading.

A Petition from *Monmouth County*, praying an Amendment to the Act passed *June 5th 1787*, intituled "An Act to ascertain the Time and Mode of levying Taxes &c," was read and ordered a second Reading.

The Bill intituled "An Act to repeal an Act, intituled an Act for regulating and shortning the Proceedings in the Courts of Law, excepting the first and nineteenth Sections of the said Act," was read a second Time and after some Time spent thereon,

*Ordered*, That the further Consideration thereof be postponed.

Mr. *Cooper* attended and took his Seat, and having rendered to the House, an Excuse for his Non-Attendance before this Time,

*Resolved*, That the same is Satisfactory.

Mr. *Dayton*, from the Committee, appointed to bring in a Bill to repeal the Act prohibiting Lotteries, desired Leave to be discharged from that appointment, and were discharged accordingly.

The Bill intituled, "An Act to prevent Persons being imprisoned for Debt," was read a second Time, and committed to Messrs. *Cooper, Condict, and Van Cleve*.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill intituled, "An Act to discharge *Jacob Arnold*, Esquire, late Sheriff of the County of *Morris*, from certain Fines therein mentioned ; whereupon,

A Petition was presented from *William Taylor*, of the County of *Monmouth*, praying to be relieved from the Payment of Part of a Fine imposed on him by the Court of Oyer and Terminer of *Monmouth*, which was read and ordered to be read a second Time.

*Ordered*, That the further Consideration of the said Bill, be postponed until the second Reading of the said Petition.

The Report of Mr. *Condict* of the 16th of *November* last, on the Petition of *William Darling*, was read a second Time :

On the Question, whether the House agree to the said Report, it was carried in the Negative.

Mr. *Kinsley* from the Council, presented a Bill intituled, "A Supplementary Act to the Act intituled, An Act for the better enabling of Creditors to recover their just Debts from Persons who abscond themselves," to which he requested the Concurrence of this House ; which Bill was read and ordered a second Reading.

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*The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine o'Clock.*

**Tuesday, May 22, 1792.**

*The House met.*

Mr. Helmes from the Committee, to whom was referred the Petitions of sundry insolvent Debtors, imprisoned in different Gaols of this State; reported as follows:

That in the Opinion of your Committee, *James Puff Lofey*, confined in the Gaol of the County of *Morris*, and *Phenias Brag*, confined in the Gaol of the County of *Cumberland*, are Objects worthy the immediate Attention of the Legislature, and recommend, that a Law be passed for their Liberation:

Your Committee would further beg leave to recommend, that a Law be passed, obliging the Creditors to pay towards the Support of the Debtors imprisoned for Debt, a Sum not exceeding Five Shillings per Week, to be fixed by Two of the Judges of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, for the County in which the Debtor is confined; in Case the Creditor shall fail to furnish such Debtor with such weekly Support, that in such Case the Debtor be entitled to a Discharge from Confinement, on the Surrendering up all his Property, after due Notice given, for the Benefit of his Creditors.

By Order of the Committee,

WILLIAM HELMES.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be read a second Time.

Mr. Linn, from the Committee to whom was referred the Petitions of *Eleanor Van Mater*, *John Stevens*, *Samuel Pleasants*, *Gasha Ackerman*, and *Joseph Alston*; the Petition of *William Rudrow*, *Joseph Copertbwaite*, and *William Folwell*; the Petition of *James Perry* and *Thomas Hays*; The Petition of *Rachael Cortwright*; the Petition of *Sylvanus Adams*, Executor of *Samuel Crowel*, deceased; the Petition of *Mary Van Buskirk*, and *Abraham Van Buskirk*, Administrators of the Estate of *John Van Buskirk*, deceased, stating certain Claims against Persons whose Estates have been confiscated to the Use of this State, reported as follows:

1st. That the said *Eleanor Van Mater*, *John Stevens*, *Gasha Ackerman*, *William Rudrow*, *Joseph Copertbwaite*, and *William Folwell*, *Rachael Cortwright*, and *Sylvanus Adams*, did not entitle themselves to Payment of their respective Demands by complying with a Law of this State, passed the 23d. Day of *December* in the Year 1783, respecting Demands of that Nature; and no sufficient Reason hath been alledged and supported, why the said Petitioners did not comply with the said Law—That therefore, their Petitions ought to be dismissed.

2d. That the personal Property of *James Perry* and *Thomas Hays*, to the Amount of £.49 8 6 Specie, had been sold as the confiscated Property of *Miles Sherbrook*, that therefore they ought to receive Payment of that Sum.

3d. That the Demand of *Mary Van Buskirk*, and *Abraham Van Buskirk*, Administrators of the Estate of *John Van Buskirk*, deceased, against the confiscated Estate of *John C. Meyer*, amounting to the Sum of £.114 14 9, *New-York* Currency, Principal with Interest from the Date of the Bond executed by the said *John C. Meyer*, to the said *John Van Buskirk* ought to be allowed, after deducting Seven Years and Five Months Interest.

By Order of the Committee,

JAMES LINN.



*Ordered*, That the said Report be read a second Time.

A Petition from the Baptist Society at *Samptown*, in *Middlesex* County, praying the Benefit of a Lottery, read on the 16th *November* last, was read a second Time, and the Petitioners had Leave to present a Bill to answer the Prayer of the said Petition.

A Petition from *John Dougherty*, was read, praying the Treasurer may be directed to deliver him a Certificate, which was drawn in favor of *Daniel Bevier*, for a Debt due to him from the confiscated Estate of *Solomon Cortwright*, he having a Power duly executed to receive the same, was read and committed to Messrs. *Linn, Williamson, Little, Burgin, and Whilden*.

A Number of Petitions were presented from the Inhabitants of *Burlington, Gloucester, Salem, and Cumberland* Counties, praying Leave to present a Bill to authorize them to erect a Bridge over *Rancocus* Creek, at *Wallace's* Ferry, which were read :

*Ordered*, That the Petitioners have Leave to present a Bill, on the thirteenth Day of *May* instant, to answer the Prayer of their Petitions, on previously advertising the Purport of the Bill they mean to present, with a Copy of this Order, Five Days at one of the public Houses, at *New-Mills, Mount-Holly, Moores-Town*, and at the *Lower Ferry* on each side of *Rancocus* Creek.

The Report of the Committee on the Petition of *William Griffith*, of the 16th of *November* last, was, agreeably to the Order of the Day, taken into Consideration and agreed to :

*Ordered*, That Messrs. *Woolruff, Linn, and Cooper*, be a Committee to prepare and present a Bill, to carry into Effect, the Objects of the said Report.

On Motion, *Resolved*, That the Clerk of the Assembly, be directed to procure Three Copies of the Book intitled, *The Perpetual Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts*, for the Use of the Legislature.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Burgin* do carry the said Resolution to the Council for Concurrence.

A Petition from *William Manning* and *Ebenezer Ford*, late Commissioners of forfeited Estates of the County of *Middlesex*, was read and committed to Messrs. *Linn, Williamson, Little, Burgin, and Whilden*.

The Petition from sundry Inhabitants of *Gloucester* County, requesting a Revision of the Penal Laws of the State, agreeably to the Order of the Day, was taken into Consideration.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition be referred to the next Sitting.

Mr. *Runyan*, agreeably to Leave given, and in behalf of the Petitioners, presented the Draught of a Bill, intitled, " An Act to enable the Church-Wardens and Vestrymen of the episcopal Church in *Piscataway* Town, to repair their Meeting-House, which was destroyed by the Enemy ; and to enable the First-Day Baptist Society, to build a Meeting-House at *Samptown*, in said *Piscataway* Township," which Bill was read and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. *Cook* from Council, informed the House, that Council had concurred in the Resolution, relative authorizing the Clerk of the Assembly, to procure Three Copies of the Book intitled, *The Perpetual Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts*.

A Petition from fundry Inhabitants of *Essex* and *Morris* County, praying a Law may pass to repeal the Act intituled, “ An Act to enable the Owners “ and Possessors of the Meadows, Swamps, and low Lands, on the River “ *Passaick* and its several Branches, between the little Falls and the Mill-Dam at *Chatbam*, to break up the Reefs near the said Falls and to dig Canals, &c. was read,

*Ordered*, That the Petitioners have Leave to present a Bill to answer the Prayer of their Petition, on the second *Tuesday* of the next Sitting, previously Advertising the Purport of the Bill they mean to present with a Copy of this Order, in Three of the most public Places in the Neighborhood of the Canal, and also in the public News-Papers, printed in *Elizabeth-Town* and *Newark*, for at least Four Weeks previous thereto.

*The House adjourned to Three o’Clock, P. M.*

*The House met.*

A Petition from *Isaac Nicoll*, of the County of *Bergen*, was read and ordered a second Reading.

Agreeably to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, “ An Act for the “ more equal Representation of the Inhabitants of the several Counties of “ this State in the House of Assembly,” was taken into Consideration, and after some Time spent thereon,

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be dismissed.

Mr. *Combs*, agreeably to Leave given and in behalf of the Petitioners presented the Draught of a Bill intituled, “ An Act for the Relief of *Robert “ Nixon, George M’Elroy, and Richard Hanlon*,” which Bill was read and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. *Cooper* with Leave, presented the Draught of a Bill intituled, “ An “ Act directing the Treasurer to advance to the Commissioners for providing suitable Buildings for the Accommodation of the Legislature, the “ Sum of Two Thousand Pounds, in lieu of the like Sum, directed to be “ paid them out of the Money allowed to be raised by Lottery, for erecting Bridges over the Rivers *Passaick* and *Hackinsack* ;” which Bill was read and ordered a second Reading.

The Petition from the Vestry and Members of *St. Mary’s* Church in *Burlington*, read on the 16th Instant, was read a second Time and committed to Messrs. *Wallace, Burgin, Blackwood, Newbold, and Fithian*, to report thereon.

The Report of Mr. *Linn*, entered this Morning, was read a second Time, and after some Time spent thereon,

*Ordered*, That the further Consideration thereof be postponed.

*The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine o’Clock.*

Wednesday, May 23, 1792.

*The House met.*

Mr. *Woodruff* from the Committee, to whom were referred the Petitions from the County of *Morris*, respecting the election Law, reported the Draught of a Bill intituled, “ An Act to alter the Place of holding the annual “ Election



“ Election in the County of *Morris*,” which was read and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. *Woodruff*, from the Committee to whom were referred the Petition from *Middlesex*, on the 14th *November* last, desired to be discharged from from that Committee,

Ordered, That the said Committee be discharged accordingly, and that the Petition be dismissed.

The Report of Mr. *Helmes*, on the Petitions from insolvent Debtors, was read a second Time and agreed to by the House ; whereupon,

Ordered, That the said Report be referred to the Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled, “ An Act to prevent Persons being imprisoned “ for Debt.”

Mr. *Williamson* from the Committee appointed for that Purpose, reported the Draught of a Bill intituled, “ An Act to direct the Time and Mode of “ electing Representatives, in the Congress of the United States for this “ State,” which was read and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. *Williamson* from the Committee appointed for that Purpose, presented the Draught of a Bill intituled, “ An Act, to authorize the Prosecution “ of Sheriff’s Bonds, given before the second Day of *July*, Seventeen Hun- “ dred and Seventy-six,” which was read and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. *Elijah Townsend*, in behalf of *David Johnson* and *James Ludlam*, and agreeably to Leave given at the last Sitting, presented the Draught of a Bill intituled, “ An Act to authorize *David Johnson* and *James Ludlam* to build a “ Grist-Mill on the North Branch of *Dennis’s* Creek, in the County of “ *Cape-May*,” which Bill was read with the several Petitions praying the same may be enacted into a Law, and also the Petitions against the passing the same, and the Parties for and against the Bill, being present, were heard by the House ; whereupon,

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second Time and committed to Messrs. *Cooper*, *Whilden*, and *Sharp*.

Mr. *Fithian* from the Committee to whom were referred, the Petition of a Number of the Inhabitants of this State, praying a Law to appoint Commissioners, with full Powers to sell and convey the Islands in the River *Delaware*, belonging to this State, for the Benefit of said State, under such Regulations as they may think fit, reported,

It is the Opinion of this Committee that the Prayer of said Petition ought not to be granted, as it might interfere with the Rights of Individuals, and that the said Petition be dismissed,

By Order of the Committee,  
JOEL FITHIAN.

To which the House agreed.

A Petition from the Townships of *Hopewell*, *Maidenhead*, and *Trenton*, in the County of *Hunterdon*, were read, praying, for Reasons therein contained, that a Law may be passed for incorporating a Borough to consist of the said Townships, for the Purposes of holding Courts for the Trial of Causes arising within the Limits of the said Townships, and establish a Gaol and Court-House within the said Borough, was read ;

Ordered, That the Petitioners have Leave to present a Bill on the second *Tuesday* of the next Sitting, previously advertising the Purport of the Bill they mean to present, in Three of the most public Places in the County of

*Hunterdon*,

*Hunterdon*, and also in One of the News-Papers printed in this State, for at least Four Weeks.

A Petition from the Inhabitants of *Trenton*, praying Leave to present a Bill to incorporate the said Town, was read.

*Ordered*, That the Petitioners have Leave to present a Bill to answer the Prayer of their Petition.

*The House adjourned to Three o'Clock, P. M.*

*The House met.*

Mr. *Combs*, agreeably to Leave given, and in behalf of the Petitioners, presented the Draught of a Bill intituled " An Act declaring *South River* in " the County of *Middlesex*, a lawful Fence," which was read, whereupon, a Petition was presented, praying that the same may not be enacted into a Law ;

*Ordered*, That the said Bill and Petition be read a second Time.

A Petition from sundry Inhabitants of *Trenton*, stating Irregularities in the said Town, which have taken Place by sundry riotous and disorderly Persons, at and near the Methodist Meeting-House, and praying that some Measure may be taken to prevent such Disorders in future, was read and ordered a second Reading.

A Petition from *Edmund W. Kingland*, Esq. praying, for the Reasons therein contained, that he may have the Liberty of collecting Monies, which were due to the Estate of *John Richards*, previous to the same being confiscated to, and vested in this State, and which has not been paid forward, agreeably to the Directions of the subsisting Laws of the State, was read and committed to Messrs. *Williamson*, *Woodruff*, and *Newbold*.

A Petition from *William Wallace*, late a Soldier in the *New-Jersey* Brigade, praying that Compensation may be made him for the Depreciation of his Pay, while in the Service, was read and ordered to be committed to Messrs. *Woodruff*, *Imlay*, *Blackwood*, *Dayton*, *Condict*, and *Lloyd*.

A Petition from *John Holmes*, confined in the Gaol of the County of *Monmouth*, praying the Benefit of an Act of Insolvency, was read and committed to Messrs. *Cooper*, *Condict*, and *Van Cleve*.

The Members withdrew to attend a Joint-Meeting, and being returned, the Speaker resumed the Chair, and then,

*The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine o'Clock.*

Thursday, May 24, 1792.

*The House met.*

Mr. *Whilden* from the Committee to whom was committed the Bill intituled, " An Act to authorize *David Johnson* and *James Ludlam*, to build a " Grift-Mill on the North Branch of *Dennis's Creek*, in the County of " *Cape-May*," reported the same with sundry Amendments, and the Words " and for other Purposes therein mentioned" added to the Title, which Bill was read a second Time, debated and ordered to be engrossed.

The Petition of *Kenneth Hankinson*, read on the 27th October last, was taken



ken into Consideration and Leave given to the Petitioner, to present a Bill to answer the Prayer of his Petition.

The Letter from *John Stevens*, Esquire, read on the 19th of *November* last, was read a second Time, and his Son *John Stevens*, presented to the House certain Books, which he informed were the original Treasury Books, together with Copies thereof, and submitted them to the Inspection of the House ; whereupon,

*Ordered*, That the said Books be committed to Messrs. *Condict*, *Williamson*, *Wallace*, *Fithian*, and *Hedden*, to inspect them, and report thereon.

Mr. *Clark*, with Leave, presented the Draught of a Bill intituled, “ An Act to preserve Order and Decency in Places of Worship,” which was read and ordered a second Reading.

A Petition from *Effex* and *Bergen*, praying that a Law may be passed, to empower the Justices and Freeholders, of the said Counties of *Effex* and *Bergen*, to erect and build another Draw-Bridge over *Passaick*, where the old Bridge formerly stood, or as near the same Place as conveniently may be, was read.

*Ordered*, That the Petitioners have Leave to present a Bill agreeably to the Prayer of the said Petition.

A Petition from the Members of the Society for the Promotion of Agriculture and domestic Manufactures, in the County of *Burlington*, read on the 21st Instant, was read a second Time and committed to Messrs. *Wallace*, *Blackwood*, *Lloyd*, and *Newbold*.

A Petition from *John Leghton* and Wife, stating a Demand against a forfeited Estate, was read and committed to Messrs. *Linn*, *Williamson*, *Little*, *Burgin*, and *Whilden*.

The Bill, intituled, “ An Act to enable the Church-Wardens and Vestry-men of the Episcopal Church in *Piscataway* Town, to repair their Meeting-House, which was destroyed by the Enemy ; and to enable the First-Day Baptist Society, to build a Meeting-House at *Samptown*, in said *Piscataway* Township,” was read a second Time, debated and ordered to be engrossed.

A Petition from sundry Inhabitants of the Counties of *Burlington* and *Hunterdon*, praying that the Laws of the State may be so amended, that the Liberation of Slaves may be made as easy to the Proprietors of them as Possible, was read and referred to the next Sitting.

The Petition of *Peter Appleman*, of the County of *Sussex*, was read and dismissed.

*The House adjourned to Threc o’Clock, P. M.*

*The House met.*

The engrossed Bill intituled, “ An Act to enable the Church-Wardens and Vestrymen, of the Episcopal Church in *Piscataway* Town, to repair their Meeting-House, which was destroyed by the Enemy, and to enable the First-Day Baptist Society, to build a Meeting-House at *Samptown*, in the said *Piscataway* Township,” was read and compared.

On the Question, whether the said Bill do pass, it was Negatived ; whereupon,

*Ordered*, That the said Bill, and Petitions praying therefor, be dismissed.

The engrossed Bill intituled, “ An Act to authorize *David Johnson* and “ *James Ludlam*, to build a Grift-Mill on the North Branch of *Dennis’s* “ Creek, in the County of *Cape-May*, and for other Purposes therein men- “ tioned,” was read and compared.

*Resolved unanimously*, that the same do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That *Mr. Clark* do carry the said Bill to Council for concurrence.

*Mr. Little* agreeably to Leave given, and in behalf of the Petitioners, presented the Draught of a Bill intituled, “ An Act for the Relief of *Kenneth* “ *Hankinson*, an Inhabitant of the County of *Monmouth*, for the Loss of cer- “ tain Depreciation Notes, given by this State,” which Bill was read and ordered a second Reading.

Agreeably to Leave given, *Charles Suydam* appeared before the House, and by his Council, presented the Draught of a Bill intituled, “ An Act to “ authorize *Charles Suydam* to continue a certain Mill-Dam, near *Raritan* “ *Landing Bridge*,” whereupon a Remonstrance was presented and read against the Propriety of passing the same, and *Mr. Suydam* attending with his Witnesses was heard in support of his Bill.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be read a second Time ; whereupon,

*Mr. D. Vroom* moved and was seconded by *Mr. Wallace*, that a Day be appointed for the second Reading, and that the Subscribers to the Remonstrance, be heard in Opposition to the Bill.

On the Question, whether the House agree to the said Motion ; it was carried in the Negative.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill intituled, An Act to authorize the Treasurer to pay Interest on certain Notes.”

A Motion was made to substitute Two Sections in place of the Bill as it at present stands, which were read and the further Consideration thereof postponed.

A Petition from sundry Inhabitants of *Upper Alloway’s* Creek, in the County of *Salem*, praying Leave to present a Bill to oblige the Inhabitants of *Lower Alloway’s* Creek to rebuild and repair the Draw in *Hancock’s* Bridge, in Order that masted Vessels may pass through, was read and a Petition was also presented from *Lower Alloway’s* Creek in Opposition thereto.

*Ordered*, That the said Petitions be committed to Messrs. *Sharp*, *Sinnickson*, and *Condit*, to report thereon.

A Petition from sundry Inhabitants of *Burlington*, praying, that the Road Act may be formed to enable the Inhabitants of *Burlington*, to repair their Roads in such Way, as shall be agreed to by a Majority of the Inhabitants at the annual Town-Meeting, was read and committed to the Committee on the Road Act.

*The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine o’Clock.*



Friday, May 25, 1792.

*The House met.*

Mr. *Williamson* from the Committee, to whom was referred the Petition of *Elizabeth Kearney* and others, reported the Draught of a Bill intitled, “ A Supplement to the Act, intitled, an Act to authorize Persons whose Estates have been confiscated, or their legal Representatives, to demand and receive all Debts or Sums of Money, which are due to this State, in virtue of such Confiscations,” which was read and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. *Cooper* from the Committee, to whom was referred the Bill intitled, “ An Act for the Relief of Persons imprisoned for Debt,” reported the same with sundry Amendments, and the following Title, “ An Act respecting the Confinement of Persons for Debt,” which Bill was read and the further Consideration thereof postponed.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Runyan* have Leave of Absence during the remainder of the present Sitting, on Account of his Indisposition.

Mr. *Williamson* from the Committee, to whom was referred the Petition of *Andrew Smyth*, Son of *John Smyth*, late of *Amboy*, reported as follows :

That in the Opinion of your Committee, the Prayer of the said Petitioner ought to be granted, so far as respects the real Estate, late of the said *John Smyth*, which has not been actually seized or taken Possession of, by the Commissioners or Agents of forfeited Estates, and remains at this Time unsold, the said *Andrew Smyth* previously filing a Statement of the same, with the estimated Value thereof, in the Treasury-Office of this State, and entering into a Bond with sufficient freehold Security to the Treasurer of this State, for the Time being, in the Sum so estimated, and conditioned for the Payment to the said Treasurer for the Use of this State, of One Third of the Value of the Property he shall or may recover, within One Year after the Recovery thereof, and your Committee would recommend to the House, that he have Leave to present a Bill on the Terms above mentioned.

By Order of the Committee,

MATTHIAS WILLIAMSON, Jun.

To which the House agreed.

The Bill intitled, “ An Act to authorize *Charles Suydam*, to continue a certain Mill-Dam near *Raritan Landing Bridge*,” was read a second Time, debated, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. *Sharp*, from the Committee, to whom was referred the Petitions for and against the Draw in the Bridge over *Alloway's Creek*, in the County of *Salem*, reported as follows.

That by the Laws of the State the Inhabitants were entitled to build a Bridge over said Creek, and are not bound to maintain a Draw in the same, and are of the opinion, that the Petitioners in favor of the Draw have Leave to present a Bill, agreeably to the Prayer of their Petition, on the second *Wednesday* in next Sitting, previously advertising the Purport of their Bill, together with a Copy of this Report, at least Three Weeks, in Three of the most public Places in said Township of *Lower Alloway's Creek*, in the County of *Salem*.

By Order of the Committee,

SAMUEL SHARP.

To which the House agreed.

*Ordered*,

The Bill intituled, “ An Act to direct the Time and Mode of electing Representatives in the Congress of the United States for this State,” was read a second Time, and after some Time spent thereon,

*Ordered*, That the further Consideration thereof be postponed.

The engrossed Bill intituled, “ An Act to authorize *Charles Snyder* to continue a certain Mill-Dam, near *Raritan Landing Bridge*,” was read and compared.

*Resolved*, That the same do pass,

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Combs* do carry the said Bill to Council for Concurrence.

*The House adjourned to Three o’Clock, P. M.*

*The House met.*

A Petition from *James Shay*, late a Soldier in the *New-Jersey Line*, praying that a Law may be passed to make him Compensation for the Depreciation of his Pay, while in the Service of the *United States*, was read and committed to Messrs. *Imlay*, *Blackwood*, *Dayton*, *Condict*, and *Lloyd*.

Mr. *Williamson*, with Leave presented the Draught of a Bill intituled, “ An Act for the Payment of a Part of the Principal and the Interest of the Debts of this State ;” which Bill was read and ordered to be read a second Time, with the Bill before the House intituled, “ An Act to authorize the Treasurer to pay Interest on certain State Notes.”

Sundry Petitions from *Evesham*, praying that a Law may pass, to authorize them to repair their Roads by Tax, was read and referred to the Committee on the Road Act.

Sundry Petitions from *Burlington* and *Gloucester* Counties, praying that some effectual Measures may be taken to prevent the Stealing of pine and cedar Timber, was read and referred to the next Sitting.

A Petition from *Burlington County*, from Owners or Possessors of Saw-Mills on *Rancocus Creek*, praying that every Obstruction may be removed as far as Possible, to facilitate the Navigation of the said Creek, and that the Act to amend an Act intituled, “ An Act for the Improvement of the Navigation of the South West Branch of *Rancocus Creek*,” may be repealed, so far as respects the Fine to be imposed on the Proprietors of Mills for drawing the Water from their Ponds, for the Purpose of floating Rafts down the Creek, was read and ordered a second Reading.

The Petition from sundry Inhabitants of *Suffex County*, praying an Amendment to the Law for the Division of real Property, was read and ordered a second Reading, with the Act for the Partition of Lands.

Mr. *Beardlee* from Council, presented the Bill intituled, “ An Act to authorize *David Johnson* and *James Ludlam*, to build a Grist-Mill on the North Branch of *Dennis’s Creek*, in the County of *Cape-May*, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,” with sundry Amendments, which were read and ordered a second Reading.

Two Petitions from sundry Inhabitants of the Counties of *Burlington* and *Gloucester*, praying an Alteration, for the Reasons therein set forth, in the Tax-Laws of the State, as far as respects the Taxing of covered Market-Waggons, was read and ordered a second Reading.

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The Bill intitled, “ An Act to authorize *David Johnson* and *James Ludlam*, to build a Grift-Mill on the North Branch of *Dennis’s* Creek, in the County of *Cape-May*, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,” with the Amendments made thereto by Council, was read a second Time, and the Amendments agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be re-engrossed, with the Amendments made thereto by Council.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill intitled, “ An Act to direct the Time and Mode of electing Representatives in the Congress of the *United States* for this State,” and after having gone through the said Bill, *Ordered*, That the same be engrossed.

The re-engrossed Bill intitled, “ An Act to authorize *David Johnson* and *James Ludlam*, to build a Grift-Mill on the North Branch of *Dennis’s* Creek, in the County of *Cape-May*, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,” was read and compared.

*Resolved* That the same do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Condict* do carry the said Bill to the Council, and acquaint them that the same is passed by this House with their Amendments.

Mr. *Combs*, agreeably to Leave given at the last Sitting, and in behalf of the Petitioners, presented the Draught of a Bill intitled, “ An Act to enable the Owners and Possessors of the Meadows adjoining *Stony Brook*, in the Township of *Windfor*, and Meadows in *Maidenhead* adjacent, to clear out the Logs, Brush, and Saplings, in said Brook, to prevent the overflowing the same,” which was read and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. *Williamson*, agreeably to leave given, and in behalf of the Petitioners, presented the Draught of a Bill intitled, “ An Act to empower the Justices and Freeholders of the Counties of *Bergen* and *Essex*, to erect a Bridge over the River *Passaick*, near the Church at *Acquackamunk*,” which Bill was read and ordered a second Reading.

The Petition from *Burlington* County, from the owners or Possessors of Saw-Mills on *Rancocus* Creek, read this Morning, was read a second Time.

*Ordered*, That the Petitioners have Leave to present a Bill to answer the Prayer of their Petition, on the third *Tuesday* of the next Sitting, previously advertising the Purport of the Bill they mean to present, with a Copy of this Order, for at least Three Weeks in Three of the most public Places in the Neighborhood of *Rancocus* Creek.

*The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine o’Clock.*

Saturday, May 26, 1792.

*The House met.*

The Bill intitled, “ An Act for the Relief of *Kenneth Hankinson*, an Inhabitant of the County of *Monmouth*, for the Loss of certain Depreciation Notes given by this State,” was read a second Time debated and ordered to be engrossed.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill intitled, “ An Act to discharge *Jacob Arnold*, Esquire, late Sheriff of the County of *Morris*,  
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“ from certain Fines therein mentioned,” and having gone through the said Bill,

*Ordered*, That the same be engrossed.

The Bill intituled, “ An Act directing the Treasurer to advance to the Commissioners for providing suitable Buildings for the Accommodation of the Legislature, the Sum of Two Thousand Pounds, in lieu of the like Sum directed to be paid them out of the Money allowed to be raised by Lottery, for erecting Bridges over the Rivers *Passaick* and *Hackinsack*,” was read a second Time debated and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. *Imlay* from the Committee, to whom was re-committed, the Report made to this House at the last Sitting, together with sundry Petitions for Claims against this State, reported as follows :

1. That in the Opinion of your Committee the Claims of *William Donaldson*, late a Soldier in Captain *Holme's* Company, who has petitioned for Depreciation of Pay ; of *John Hepnor*, late a Soldier in the third *Jersey* Regiment for Depreciation of Pay ; of *Nicholas Bogart*, Father of *James Bogart*, late a Soldier in the same Regiment, and who was killed in the Service, for Pay and Depreciation of Pay ; of *John Freeland*, late a Soldier in the Nine Month Service, first *Jersey* Regiment, for Pay ; of *William Wallace*, late a Soldier in the *New-Jersey* Brigade, for Depreciation of Pay ; of *John B. Ryker*, late a Surgeon in the Service, and who was deranged before the tenth Day of *April* 1780 ; of *Elisha Jewell*, for Pay as an Express to the late Governor *Livingston* ; of Captain *Reuben Randolph*, for Satisfaction of Monies recovered of, and paid by him, on Account of Wine taken and issued to the Troops under his Command during the late War; ought not to be allowed by this State, Congress having suspended the Resolutions of the late Continental Congress, passed the 2d of *November*, 1785. and 3d *July*, 1787 ; limiting the Period for the Admission of Claims against the *United States*, and authorizing the Treasury Department to liquidate the same.

2. That the Claim of *Silvester Marins*, late a Sergeant in the Militia of this State, who received a Wound while in the Service, with which he was confined for Six Months and Three Weeks, should be allowed.

That Warrants be issued to *Elizabeth Wardun*, Widow of *Samuel Wardun*, late a Sergeant in the *Jersey* Brigade, in the service of the *United States*, and who died in Service, the Sum of Thirty Shillings per Month, from the first Day of *September*, Seventeen Hundred and Seventy-nine.

To *Phebe Leonard*, late *Phebe Lunn*, formerly Widow of *Squire Lunn*, late an Ensign in General *Heard's* Brigade, in the Service of the *United States*, and who died in Service, the Sum of Ten Dollars per Month, from the sixth Day of *August*, Seventeen Hundred and Seventy-six, to the 23d. day of *April*, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy-eight, being the Amount of her late Husband's Half-Pay.

To *Martha Treelease*, late *Martha Lyon*, Widow of *Henry Lyon*, late a Corporal in the first *Jersey* Regiment, in the Service of the *United States*, and who died in the said Service, the Sum of Twenty-seven Shillings and Six-pence per Month, from the first Day of *August*, Seventeen Hundred and Seventy-eight, to the 10th Day of *May*, Seventeen Hundred and Eighty-eight, being the Term of her Widowhood.

To *Abigail Minthorn*, Widow of *Philip Minthorn*, late a Sergeant in the first *Jersey* Regiment, in the Service of the *United States*, and who died in Service



Service, the Sum of Thirty Shillings per Month, from the 23d Day of *December*, Seventeen Hundred and Eighty.

To *Susanna Bowlby*, late *Susanna Martin*, Widow of *John Martin*, late a Private in the Militia of this State, and who died in Service, the Sum of Twenty-five Shillings per Month, from the first Day of *February*, Seventeen Hundred and Seventy-eight, to the first Day of *April*, Seventeen Hundred and Eighty-eight, being the Amount of her late Husbands Half-Pay.

To *Sarah Turner*, Widow of *Jarzel Turner*, late a Sergeant in Colonel *Spencer's* Regiment, in the Service of the *United States*, and who died in Service, the Sum of Thirty Shillings per Month, from the 29th Day of *July*, Seventeen Hundred and Seventy-seven.

To *Abigail Carman*, Widow of *Moses Carman*, late a Private in Colonel *Spencer's* Regiment, in the Service of the *United States*, and who died in Service, the Sum of Twenty-five Shillings per Month, from the 28th Day of *February*, Seventeen Hundred and Seventy-eight.

To *Rachael Channel*, Widow of *John Channel*, late a Private in Colonel *Spencer's* Regiment, in the Service of the *United States*, and who died in Service, the Sum of Twenty-five Shillings per Month, from the first Day of *June*, Seventeen Hundred and Seventy-seven.

That the Claim of *David Thompson*, ought not to be allowed, his Account having been settled with the State, on the 12th Day of *June*, Seventeen Hundred and Seventy-nine.

That the Prayer of the Petition of *John Rose*, ought not to be granted, as it appears from the Entries in the Treasury Office, that the Certificates to Two Soldiers by the Name of *John Rose*, has been duly issued and delivered, One of each to Captain *Jonathan Forman*, and the other to themselves.

By Order of the Committee,

JOHN IMLAY.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be read a second Time.

The Bill intituled, “ An Act to alter the Place of holding the Annual Election in the County of *Morris*,” was read a second Time, debated, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. *Ogden* from Council, delivered to this House, a Bill intituled, “ An Act to authorize and empower the Board of Trustees of the first Presbyterian Congregation of *Independence* in the County of *Suffex*, to erect a Lottery for the Purpose therein mentioned,” to which he requested the Concurrence of this House, which Bill was read ;

On the Question, whether the same be read a second Time, it was carried in the Negative.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Fithian*, do wait on the Council, and inform them that the said Bill is rejected by this House.

Mr. *Newbold* with Leave, and in behalf of the Petitioner, presented the Draught of a Bill intituled, “ An Act for transferring the Residue of the confiscated real Estate, late of *John Smyth*,” which was read and ordered a second Reading.

The Petition from a Committee of the Board of Justices and Freeholders, of the County of *Essex*, praying, that the Legislature would take up the Report of their Committee, who reported in *May*, 1786 ; That the County of *Essex* should have a Credit on any Taxes that may remain due, on or before the

the Year 1782, was read and committed to Messrs. *Van Cleve*, *D. Vroom*, and *Condict*.

A Petition from sundry Inhabitants of the County of *Middlesex*, praying that a Law may be passed, to authorize the Justices and Freeholders of that County, to erect a convenient Court-House and Gaol, and raise Money to defray the Expence, at such Place as a Majority of the County by Election may order, was read and ordered a second Reading.

The engrossed Bill intituled, “ An Act for the Relief of *Kenneth Hankinson*, “ an Inhabitant of the County of *Monmouth*, for the Loss of certain Depreciation Notes given by this State,” was read and compared.

*Resolved*, That the same do pass.

The engrossed Bill intituled, “ An Act to discharge *Jacob Arnold*, Esquire, “ late Sheriff of the County of *Morris*, from certain Fines therein mentioned,” was read and compared.

On the Question, whether the same do pass, it was carried in the Affirmative as follows :

Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Messrs. Anderson,	Messrs. Starke,	Messrs. Berry,
Bidleman,	Stillwell,	Blackwood,
Clark,	Stockton,	Burgin,
Combs,	Van Cleve,	Cooper,
Condict,	Vredenbergh,	Fithian,
Dayton,	Williamson,	Helmes,
D. Vroom,		Inlay,
Hankinson,		Lloyd,
Kingsland,		Newbold,
Linn,		Sinnickson,
Little,		E. Townsend,
Lowrey,		R. Townsend,
Sharp,		Wallace,
Smith,		Whilden.

The engrossed Bill intituled, “ An Act directing the Treasurer to advance “ to the Commissioners for providing suitable Buildings for the Accommodation of the Legislature, the Sum of Two Thousand Pounds in lieu of “ the like Sum, directed to be paid them out of the Money allowed to be “ raised by Lottery, for the erecting Bridges over the Rivers *Passaick* and “ *Hackinsack*,” was read and compared.

On the Question, whether the same do pass, it was carried in the Affirmative as follows :

Yeas,	Yeas.
Mr. <i>Anderson</i> ,	Mr. <i>Fithian</i> ,
Mr. <i>Bidleman</i> ,	Mr. <i>Hankinson</i> ,
Mr. <i>Blackwood</i> ,	Mr. <i>Hedden</i> ,
Mr. <i>Burgin</i> ,	Mr. <i>Helmes</i> ,
Mr. <i>Clark</i> ,	Mr. <i>Inlay</i> ,
Mr. <i>Combs</i> ,	Mr. <i>Kingsland</i> ,
Mr. <i>Condict</i> ,	Mr. <i>Linn</i> ,
Mr. <i>Cooper</i> ,	Mr. <i>Lowrey</i> ,
Mr. <i>D. Vroom</i> ,	Mr. <i>Lloyd</i> ,

Mr.



Yeas.

Mr. Newbold,  
 Mr. Sharp,  
 Mr. Sinnickson,  
 Mr. Smith,  
 Mr. Starke,  
 Mr. Stillwell,  
 Mr. E. Townsend,  
 Mr. R. Townsend,  
 Mr. Van Cleve,  
 Mr. Wallace,  
 Mr. Whilden.

Nays,

Mr. Berry,  
 Mr. Dayton,  
 Mr. Little,  
 Mr. Stockton,  
 Mr. Williamson.

Ordered, That the Speaker do sign the said Bills.

Ordered, That Mr. Cooper do carry the said Bills to the Council for Concurrence.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill intituled, “ An Act to authorize the Treasurer to pay Interest on certain State Notes,” whereupon,

The Bill intituled, “ An Act for the Payment of Part of the Principal, and the Interest of the Debts of this State,” was read a second Time, and agreed that the latter Bill should be substituted in the Place of the former.

On the Question, whether the House agree to the said Bill, it was carried in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the same be engrossed.

The Bill intituled, “ An Act for the Relief of Robert Nixon, George M<sup>c</sup> Elroy, and Richard Hanlon,” was read a second Time, and ordered to be committed to Messrs Williamson, Van Cleve, and Lloyd.

Mr. Condict, from the Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Samuel Ogden, reported as follows ;

That the Note of David Ogden, Esquire, to Sarah Morris, upon which the Claimant petitions the House, was handed to James Ewing, Esquire, late Auditor, in due Season, the same having been duly adjudged according to Law, 24th August, 1784.

That the said Note, remained in the Office of the Auditor, till after the Death of Sarah Morris.

That the Petitioner, is an Executor of the last Will and Testament of the said Sarah Morris.

That a Deduction was made by the British Commissioners, from the Allowance intended to be made to David Ogden, upon account of this Debt to Sarah Morris, an Inhabitant of the United States.

That Sarah Morris was an Inhabitant of the State of New-York ; that the Executor is an Inhabitant of the State of New-Jersey, and that none of the Persons now interested are Inhabitants of the State of New-York.

By Order of the Committee,  
 SILAS CONDUCT.

Which Report being read.

Ordered, That the Petitioner have Leave to present a Bill to answer the Prayer of his Petition.

*The House adjourned till Monday Morning Ten o'Clock.*

**Monday, May 28, 1792.**

*The House met.*

Mr. *Wallace* agreeably to Leave given, and in behalf of the Petitioners, presented the Draught of a Bill intituled, “ An Act to incorporate a Part of “ the Township of *Trenton*, in the County of *Hunterdon*,” which Bill was read and ordered a second Reading.

The engrossed Bill intituled, An Act to direct the Time and Mode of elect-  
“ ing Representatives in the Congress of the *United States* for this State,”  
was read and compared ;

On the Question, whether the same do pass, it was carried in the Affirmative as follows ;

Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Mr. <i>Berry</i> ,	Mr. <i>Newbold</i> ,	Mr. <i>Anderson</i> ,
Mr. <i>Bidleman</i> ,	Mr. <i>Sinnickson</i> ,	Mr. <i>Burgin</i> ,
Mr. <i>Blackwood</i> ,	Mr. <i>Smith</i> ,	Mr. <i>Clark</i> ,
Mr. <i>Combs</i> ,	Mr. <i>Starke</i> ,	Mr. <i>Cooper</i> ,
Mr. <i>Condict</i> ,	Mr. <i>Stillwell</i> ,	Mr. <i>Fithian</i> ,
Mr. <i>Dayton</i> ,	Mr. <i>Stockton</i> ,	Mr. <i>Little</i> ,
Mr. <i>D. Vroom</i> .	Mr. <i>E. Townsend</i> ,	Mr. <i>Sharp</i> ,
Mr. <i>Hankinson</i> ,	Mr. <i>R. Townsend</i> ,	Mr. <i>Wallace</i> .
Mr. <i>Inlay</i> ,	Mr. <i>Van Cleve</i> ,	
Mr. <i>Kingland</i> ,	Mr. <i>Vredenergh</i> ,	
Mr. <i>Linn</i> ,	Mr. <i>Whilden</i> .	
Mr. <i>Lloyd</i> ,		

The engrossed Bill intituled, “ An Act for a Payment of a Part of the  
“ Principle and the Interest of the Debts of this State,” was read and  
compared :

On the Question, whether the same do pass, it was carried in the Affirmative as follows ;

Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Messrs. <i>Berry</i> ,	Messrs. <i>Lloyd</i> ,	Messrs. <i>Anderson</i> ,
<i>Bidleman</i> ,	<i>Newbold</i> ,	<i>Burgin</i> ,
<i>Blackwood</i> ,	<i>Sharp</i> ,	<i>Clark</i> ,
<i>Combs</i> ,	<i>Sinnickson</i> ,	<i>Condict</i> ,
<i>Dayton</i> ,	<i>Smith</i> ,	<i>Cooper</i> ,
<i>D. Vroom</i> ,	<i>Stillwell</i> ,	<i>Starke</i> .
<i>Fithian</i> ,	<i>Stockton</i> ,	
<i>Hankinson</i> ,	<i>E. Townsend</i> ,	
<i>Hedden</i> ,	<i>R. Townsend</i> ,	
<i>Helmes</i> ,	<i>Van Cleve</i> ,	
<i>Inlay</i> ,	<i>Vredenergh</i> ,	
<i>Kingland</i> ,	<i>Wallace</i> ,	
<i>Linn</i> ,	<i>Whilden</i> .	
<i>Little</i> ,		

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the said Bills.

*Ordered*,



*Ordered*, That Mr. *Dayton* do carry the said Bill to the Council for Concurrence.

The Report of Mr. *Linn*, on the 22d Instant, was read a second Time :

On the Question, whether the House agree to the said Report, as far as it respects the Applications of *Eleanor Van Mater*, *John Stevens*, Esquire, *Gaspa Ackerman*, and *William Rudrow*, *Joseph Copperthwaite*, and *William Folwell*, it was carried in the Affirmative ; whereupon,

*Ordered*, That their Petitions and Papers be dismissed.

On the Question, whether the House agree to the said Report, as far as it respects *Rachael Cortwright's* Application, it was carried in the Negative ; whereupon,

*Ordered*, That the Petition and Papers from *Rachael Cortwright*, be committed to Messrs. *Helmes*, *Condict*, and *Hankinson*, to bring in a Bill to answer the Prayer of her Petition.

On the Question, whether the House agree to the said Report, as far as it respects the Application of *Sylvanus Adams*, Executor and Co. of *Samuel Crowell*, deceased, it was carried in the Affirmative ; whereupon.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition and Papers be dismissed.

On the Question, whether the House agree to the said Report, as far as it respects the Application of *James Perry*, and *Thomas Hays*, and the Application of the Administrators, and Co. of *John Van Buskirk*, deceased, it was carried in the Affirmative, whereupon.

*Ordered*, That their Papers be referred to Messrs. *Helmes*, *Condict*, and *Hankinson*, to bring in a Bill to answer the Prayer of their Petitions.

*The House adjourned to Three o'Clock, P. M.*

*The House met.*

A Petition from *Samuel Runk*, Administrator and Co. of *William Runk*, praying Leave, for Reasons therein contained, to present a Bill, to authorize him to make a Title unto *Robert Sharp*, and *Walter Wilson*, for Lands sold by the Intestate to them, being an undivided Half-Part of a Tract of Land formerly the Property of *Jacob Runk*, and as to the other Half of the said Tract of Land, One Part thereof, to vest in him the said *Samuel*, agreeably to Contract, and to authorize him to dispose of the other Part, being the One fourth Part of the said Tract of Land, formerly belonging to the said *Jacob Runk*, and to pay the Monies thence arising, to the legal Representatives of the said *William Runk*.

*Ordered*, That the Petitioner have Leave to present a Bill to answer the Prayer of his Petition, on the second *Wednesday* of the next Sitting, on previously advertising the Purport of the Bill he means to present, and a Copy of this Order, in Three of the most public Places in the Township, of *Amwell*, for at least Three Weeks previous thereto.

Mr. *Helmes* from the Committee to whom was referred, the Petitions of *Mary Van Buskirk*, of *Perry* and *Hays*, and of *Rachael Cortwright*, presented the Draught of a Bill intituled, " An Act directing the Treasurer of this State, to issue certain Certificates to the Persons therein named," which Bill was read and ordered a second Reading.

Mr.

Mr. *Condict*, from the Committee to whom were referred, the Books of *John Stevens*, Esquire, late Treasurer, reported as follows :

That it appears there are Entries contained in the said Books, for each Year, from the Commencement to the Termination of his Office as Treasurer ; that the original Ledgers do not appear to have been delivered to this House ; that the Copies made of the Day Books appear not to be correct, many of the Dates being transposed, which renders the comparing the same with the Originals very difficult ; that the probable Time of the present Sitting of the Legislature, will not admit a full Investigation of the Entries therein contained ; it is therefore the Opinion of your Committee, that some Persons ought to be appointed, to examine the said Books during the Recess of the Legislature, and report to them at their next Session, such Matters contained in the said Books, as may appear to be interesting to the State, or that may any way aid the final Settlement of the public Accounts, and the Opinion of such Persons, whether the said original Ledgers are necessary for the Purposes aforesaid, or not.

By Order of the Committee,  
SILAS CONDUCT.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be read a second Time.

The Speaker laid before the House, a Letter from *John Stevens*, desiring that a Committee may be Appointed before whom he might attend, to shew that he ought not to be Accountable to the State, for £. 120,000 placed to his Account by the present Treasurer, was read and ordered a second Reading, with the Report of Mr. *Condict* of this Afternoon.

The Bill intituled, “ An Act to preserve Order and Decency in Places of “ public Worship,” was read a second Time and committed to Messrs. *Condict*, *Clark*, and *Sharp*.

Mr. *Van Cleve*, from the Committee to whom was referred, the Petition from the Board of Justices and Freeholders of the County of *Essex*, reported as follows ;

That in the Opinion of your Committee the Prayer of the said Petition ought to be granted, therefore recommend the following Resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Treasurer of this State be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to Credit the County of *Essex* with the Sum of  
on any Taxes that are now due from said County.

By Order of the Committee,  
BENJAMIN VAN CLEVE.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be read a second Time.

Mr. *Wallace* from the Committee to whom was referred, the Petition from the Society for the Promotion of Agriculture and domestic Manufactures, reported the Draught of a Bill intituled, “ An Act for the Encouragement and Support of Agriculture and domestic Manufactures,” which was read and referred to the next Sitting.

The Bill intituled, “ An Act respecting the Confinement of Persons for “ Debt,” was read a second Time ; and the Petition from *William Metcalf*, was also read, and referred to the next Sitting.

The Bill intituled, “ An Act to empower the Justices and Freeholders, “ of the Counties of *Bergen* and *Essex*, to erect a Bridge over the River “ *Passaick*, near the Church at *Acquackanunk*,” was read a second Time, debated, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr.



Mr. *Williamson*, from the Committee to whom was referred, the Petition of *Edmund William Kingland*; reported,

That in their Opinion, the Petitioner should have Leave to present a Bill, agreeably to the Prayer of the Petition, upon such Compensation being made to the State, as may appear reasonable and proper.

By Order of the Committee.

MATTHIAS WILLIAMSON, Jun.

To which the House agreed.

Mr. *Williamson*, with Leave, presented the Draught of a Bill intituled, "An Act directing the Treasurer to pay certain Monies to the late Commissioners of forfeited Estates, for the County of *Essex*," which was read and ordered a second Reading.

The Bill intituled, "A Supplement to, an Act to authorize Persons whose Estates have been confiscated, or their legal Representatives, to demand and receive, all Debts or Sums of Money, which are due to this State, in Virtue of such Confiscations," was read a second Time, and committed to Messrs. *Condict*, *Linn*, and *Sharp*.

The engrossed Bill intituled, "An Act to alter the Place of holding the annual Election in the County of *Morris*," was read and compared; Resolved unanimously, That the same do pass:

Ordered, That the Speaker do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. *D. Vroom* do carry the said Bill to the Council, for Concurrence.

The Bill intituled, "An Act for transferring the Residue of the confiscated real Estate, late of *John Smyth*," was read a second Time, debated, and ordered to be engrossed.

*The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine o'Clock.*

Tuesday, May 29, 1792.

*The House met.*

Mr. *Condict*, from the Committee to whom was referred, the Bill intituled, "An Act to preserve Order and Decency in Places of public Worship," reported the same with sundry Amendments, which was read, debated, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. *Imlay*, from the Committee to whom was referred, the Petition of *James Shay* reported,

That in the Opinion of your Committee, the Claim of *James Shay*, late a Soldier in the *New-Jersey* Brigade, who has petitioned for Depreciation of Pay, ought not to be allowed by this State, Congress having suspended the Resolution of the late Continental Congress, passed the 2d *November*, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty-five, and the 3d *July*, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty-seven, limiting the Period for the Admission of Claims against the *United States*, and authorizing the Treasury Department to liquidate the same.

By Order of the Committee.

JOHN IMLAY.

Which

Which Report was read and ordered a second Reading.

A Petition from the Congregation of *Bedminster*, in the Counties of *Somerset* and *Hunterdon*, praying that a Law may be passed, for altering the Law for Incorporating said Congregation, was read ; whereupon,

*Ordered*, That the Petitioners have Leave to present a Bill, agreeably to the Prayer of said Petition, on the first *Thursday* in next Sitting, on their advertising the Purport of the said Bill, with a Copy of this Order, Four Weeks previous thereto, at the Meeting-House of the said Congregation.

A Petition from sundry Inhabitants of *Burlington* County, praying that the Laws of the State, respecting the Liberation of Slaves, may be so amended, as to authorize and induce Slave-Keepers, to liberate them while young, was read and referred to the next Sitting.

A Petition from sundry Inhabitants of the County of *Burlington*, praying that a Law may be passed, to authorize Executors and Administrators, to submit to Referees, the Decision of controverted Accounts, was read and referred to the next Sitting.

A Petition from *Kenneth Harkinson*, late Collector of *Monmouth* County, stating Difficulties in the Settlement of his Accounts with the County, and praying that a Law may pass, appointing Commissioners to examine and settle the Accounts between him and the Board of Justices and Freeholders of that County ; was read with several Petitions from the County of *Monmouth* on that Subject.

*Ordered*, That the Petitioner have Leave to present a Bill to answer the Prayer of his Petition.

The engrossed Bill intituled, “ An Act to empower the Justices and Freeholders of the Counties of *Bergen* and *Essex*, to erect a Bridge over the River Passaic, near the Church at *Acquackanunk*,” was read and compared :

*Resolved*, That the same do pass.

The engrossed Bill intituled, “ An Act for transferring the Residue of the confiscated real Estate, late of *John Smyth*,” was read and compared :

On the Question, whether the same do pass, it was carried in the Affirmative as follows ;

Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Mr. Berry,	Mr. Lloyd,	Mr. Anderson,
Mr. Bidleman,	Mr. Newbold,	Mr. Condict,
Mr. Blackwood,	Mr. Sharp,	Mr. Imlay,
Mr. Burgin,	Mr. Sinnickson,	Mr. Little,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Smith,	Mr. Stillwell.
Mr. Combs,	Mr. Starke,	
Mr. Cooper,	Mr. Stockton,	
Mr. Dayton,	Mr. E. Townsend,	
Mr. D. Vroom.	Mr. R. Townsend,	
Mr. Fithian,	Mr. Van Cleve,	
Mr. Harkinson,	Mr. Vredenberg,	
Mr. Hedden,	Mr. Wallace,	
Mr. Helmes,	Mr. Williamson,	
Mr. King Island,	Mr. Whilden.	
Mr. Linn,		

*Ordered*,



*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Hankinson* do carry the said Bills to the Council for Concurrence.

The Bill intituled, " An Act directing the Treasurer to pay certain Monies to the late Commissioners of forfeited Estates, for the County of *Essex*," was read a second Time, debated, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. *Wallace*, from the Committee to whom was referred, the Petition from the Majority of the Vestry and Members of the Episcopal Church of *St. Mary*, in the City of *Burlington*, reported as follows;

That the Petitioners have exhibited Proofs, of the several Matters alleged in their Petition, and that, in the Opinion of your Committee, they be allowed to present a Bill to answer the Prayer thereof.

By Order of the Committee,  
JOSHUA M. WALLACE.

To which the House agreed.

The Report of Mr. *Imlay*, of the 26th Instant, was read a second Time:

*Ordered*, That the first Paragraph be postponed.

*Ordered*, That the Remainder of the Report be agreed to, and that Warrants be issued in favor of the several Persons therein named, except that of *Sylvester Marius*, which was ordered to be referred to the Committee on the incidental Bill.

*The House adjourned to Three o'Clock, P. M.*

*The House met.*

The Warrants entitling, *Abigail Carman*, *Rachael Channel*, *Sarah Turner*, *Susanna Bowlsby*, late *Susanna Martin*, *Abigail Minthorn*, *Martha Treelease*, late *Martha Lyon*, *Phebe Leonard*, late *Phebe Lunn*, and *Elizabeth Wardun*, severally to receive their late Husbands' Half-Pay, were read and agreed to:

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the said several Warrants:

*Ordered*, That, Mr. *Hedden* do carry the said several Warrants to the Council for Concurrence.

Agreeably to the Order of the Day on the Petition of *Francis Hover*, he attended the House, to support the Charges made against his Wife, and she also attended to defend herself from the Charges, and they were both heard with their Witnesses; whereupon,

Mr. *Sharp* presented the Draught of a Bill intituled, " An Act to divorce *Francis Hover*, from *Elizabeth* his Wife," which Bill was read and ordered a second Reading.

The engrossed Bill intituled, " An Act directing the Treasurer to pay certain Monies, to the late Commissioners of forfeited Estates for the County of *Essex*," was read and compared.

*Resolved*, That the same do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Hedden*, do carry the said Bill to the Council for Concurrence.

A Warrant in favor of *Mary Sutton*, the Widow of *Robert Sutton*, late a Private in Colonel *Bowes Reed's* Regiment of Militia, in lieu of One dated the 17th March, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty, for Twenty-five Shillings per Month, from the 10th Day of May, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy-eight, the same having been filled with Endorsements, was read and compared :

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the same :

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Hedden* do carry the said Warrant to the Council for Concurrence.

Mr. *Outwater* from Council informed the House, that the Bill intituled, “ An Act for the Relief of *Kenneth Hankinson*, an Inhabitant of the County of *Monmouth*, for the Loss of certain Depreciation Notes, given by the State,”---the Bill intituled, “ An Act to discharge *Jacob Arnold*, Esquire, late Sheriff of the County of *Morris*, from certain Fines therein mentioned,”---and the Bill intituled, “ An Act to direct the Time and Mode of electing Representatives in the Congress of the *United States* for this State,”---the Bill intituled, “ An Act directing the Treasurer to advance to the Commissioners for providing suitable Buildings for the Accommodation of the Legislature, the Sum of Two Thousand Pounds, in lieu of the like Sum directed to be paid them out of the Money allowed to be raised by Lottery, for the erecting Bridges over the *Rivers Passaick and Hackinsack*,”---and the Bill intituled, “ An Act for the Payment of Part of the Principal and the Interest of the Debts of this State,” are passed by Council without amendment.

Mr. *Williamson*, agreeably to Leave given, and in behalf of the Petitioners, presented the Draught of a Bill intituled, “ An Act to enable the Owners and Possessors of *Ash-Swamp* in the County of *Effex*, to make and keep up sufficient Drains, for vending the Water running through the Swamp,” which Bill was read and ordered a second Reading.

The Report of Mr. *Condit* of Yesterday, was taken up, with the Letter from Mr. *Stevens*, and read a second Time ; whereupon,

*Ordered*, That the Books of *John Stevens*, the late Treasurer, be referred to *James Mott*, Treasurer, and *Aaron Dunham*, Auditor of Accounts of this State, who are directed to examine them, and report thereon, agreeably to the Directions of the Report of the Committee.

*The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Nine o'Clock.*

Wednesday, May 30, 1792.

*The House met.*

Mr. *Cooper*, from the Committee appointed to report a Road-Act, brought in a Bill intituled, “ An Act to enable the Inhabitants of the Townships of *Northampton*, *Chesterfield*, and *Evesham*, and the Town of *Burlington*, in the County of *Burlington* ; the Townships of *Waterford* and *Egg-Harbour*, and the Town of *Gloucester*, in the County of *Gloucester* ; the Town of *Salem* in the County of *Salem* ; and the Township of *Greenwich*, in the County of *Suffex*, to repair their High-Ways by Hire, and to raise Money for that Purpose,” which was read ;

Whereupon, the Committee desired to be discharged from their Appointment,



pointment, which was agreed to, and the Bill now reported, with the several Petitions, ordered to be referred to the next Sitting.

Mr. *Stillwell* agreeably to Leave given and in behalf of *Kenneth Hankinson*, presented the Draught of a Bill intituled, “ An Act appointing Commissioners to settle the Accounts of *Kenneth Hankinson*, Esquire, late Collector of the County of *Monmouth*, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,” which Bill was read and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. *Williamson*, agreeably to Leave given, and in behalf of the Petitioner, presented the Draught of a Bill intituled, “ An Act for transferring the Residue of the confiscated Estate, late of *John Richards*, deceased,” which Bill was read and ordered a second Reading.

A Petition from the Trustees of the Congregation of *Bedminster*, in the Counties of *Somerset* and *Hunterdon*, praying that the Legislature will reject the Petition from the said Congregation read Yesterday, or that they may be heard in Opposition to that Petition, was read and ordered a second Reading on the first *Thursday* in next Sitting.

The Bill intituled, “ An Act to divorce *Francis Hover* from *Elizabeth* his Wife,” was read a second Time ;

On the Question, whether the 2d Section, moved for by Mr. *Williamson*, do pass, it was carried in the Affirmative as follows ;

Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Messrs. Anderson,	Messrs. Little,	Messrs. Bidleman,
Berry,	Newbold,	Blackwood,
Burgin,	Stillwell,	Combs,
Clark,	Stockton,	Condict,
Cooper,	E. Townsend,	Fithian,
Dayton,	Van Cleve,	Lloyd.
Hedden,	Vredenbergh,	
Kingland,	Wallace,	
Linn,	Williamson.	

The House having gone through the said Bill,  
*Ordered*, That the same be engrossed.

Agreeably to the Order of the Day, on the Petitions from *Burlington*, for a Law to authorize the Building a Bridge over *Rancocus* ; The Speaker laid before the House a Bill intituled, “ An Act for building and maintaining a Bridge over *Rancocus* Creek at *Wallace's* Ferry,” which was read, and a Memorial from sundry Persons, desiring that the said Bill may be referred to the next Sitting, was also read ;

On the Question, whether the House agree to refer the Business to the next Session, it was carried in the Negative.

*Ordered*, That the further Consideration thereof be postponed.

The Speaker laid before the House, a Bill intituled, “ A Supplement to the Act intituled, an Act for the Relief of insolvent Debtors,” which was read and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. *Williamson*, in behalf of the Petitioner, agreeably to Leave given, presented the Draught of a Bill intituled, “ An Act to direct the Treasurer to issue a Certificate unto *Samuel Ogden*, Executor and Co. of *Sarah Morris*, deceased,” which was read and ordered a second Reading.

*The House adjourned to Three o'Clock, P. M.*

*The House met.*

The engrossed Bill intituled, “ An Act to preserve Order and Decency in “ Places of public Worship,” was read and compared.

*Resolved unanimously,* That the same do pass.

The engrossed Bill intituled, “ An Act to divorce *Francis Hover*, from *Elizabeth* his Wife,” was read and compared.

On the Question, whether the same do pass, it was carried in the Affirmative as follows ;

Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Mr. Bidleman,	Mr. Newbold,	Mr. Anderson,
Mr. Blackwood,	Mr. Sharp,	Mr. Berry,
Mr. Combs,	Mr. Sinnickson,	Mr. Burgin,
Mr. Condit,	Mr. Smith,	Mr. Clark,
Mr. Cooper,	Mr. Starke,	Mr. Fithian,
Mr. Dayton,	Mr. Stillwell,	Mr. Hankinson,
Mr. D. Vroom.	Mr. E. Townsend,	Mr. Kingland,
Mr. Hedden,	Mr. R. Townsend,	Mr. Little,
Mr. Helmes,	Mr. Williamson,	Mr. Van Cleve,
Mr. Linn,	Mr. Whilden.	Mr. Wallace.
Mr. Lloyd,		

*Ordered,* That the Speaker do sign the said Bills :

*Ordered,* That Mr. *Helmes* do carry the said Bills to the Council for Concurrence.

A Message from his Excellency the Governor, accompanied with a Collection of the Acts passed by Congress, at their last Session, was read and and ordered to be filed.

Mr. *Condit* from Council, informed the House that the Warrants entitling *Elizabeth Wardun*, *Phebe Leonard*, late *Phebe Lunn*, *Martha Treelease*, late *Martha Lyon*, *Abigail Minthorn*, *Susanna Bowlsby*, late *Susanna Martin*, and *Rachael Channel*, to receive the Amount of their late Husbands' Half-Pay, are rejected by Council---and that Council agree to the Warrants, entitling *Sarah Turner* and *Mary Sutton*, to receive the Amount of their late Husbands' Half-Pay---The Bill intituled, “ An Act to authorize *Charles Suydam*, to continue a certain Mill-Dam, near *Raritan Landing* Bridge, is rejected by Council---That the Bill intituled, “ An Act directing the Treasurer to pay certain Monies to the late Commissioners of forfeited Estates for the County of *Essex*,”---The Bill intituled, “ An Act to empower the Justices and Freeholders of the Counties of *Bergen* and *Essex*, to erect a Bridge over the River *Passaic*, near the Church at *Acquackanunk*,”---The Bill intituled, “ An Act to alter the Place of holding the annual Election in the County of *Morris*,”---and the Bill intituled, “ An Act for transferring the Residue of the confiscated real Estate, late of *John Smyth*,” are passed by Council without Amendment.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill intituled, “ An Act for building and maintaining a Bridge over *Rancocus* Creek, at *Wallace's* Ferry,” and the several Petitions, for and against the Bill were read, and



and the Parties attending, were heard with their Witnesses against the Bill.  
*Ordered*, That the further Consideration of the said Bill be postponed,  
 and that the Parties attend again To-morrow Morning.

*The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine o'Clock.*

Thursday, May 31, 1792.

*The House met.*

Agreeably to the Order of the Day on the Bill intituled, " An Act for  
 " building and maintaining a Bridge over *Rancocus* Creek, at *Wallace's*  
 " Ferry," the House resumed the Consideration of that Business, and heard  
 Witnesses in Support of the Bill.

*Ordered*, That the further Consideration thereof be postponed.

Mr. *Linn*, from the Committee appointed for that Purpose, reported the  
 Draught of a Bill intituled, " An Act for the revising and digesting the Laws  
 of this State," which was read and ordered a second Reading.

*The House adjourned to Three o'Clock, P. M.*

*The House met.*

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill intituled, " An Act for  
 " building and maintaining a Bridge over *Rancocus* Creek, at *Wallace's*  
 " Ferry," and heard Counsel sum up the Testimony offered respecting  
 this Business; whereupon,

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be referred to the next Session, and that the  
 Parties for and against the same, be heard again before the Assembly, on the  
 second *Monday* of the next Sitting, on the Applicants for the Bill, advertis-  
 ing a Copy of this Order in *Mount-Holly*, *New-Mills*, *Moore's-Town* and *Bur-*  
*lington*, Three Weeks previous to that Day.

Two Petitions from the County of *Cumberland*, praying that Measures  
 may be taken by a Law, more effectually to straighten the Roads from  
*Bridgetown* and *Greenwich*, to *Philadelphia*, were read and referred to the  
 next Session.

A Petition from the Township of *Elsenborough*, in the County of *Salem*,  
 praying Leave to present a Bill to authorize the Inhabitants of that Town-  
 ship, to repair their Roads by Hire, and to raise Money for that Purpose,  
 was read and referred to the next Session.

The Bill intituled, " A Supplementary Act, to the Act intituled, an Act for  
 " the better enabling of Creditors to recover their Just Debts, from Per-  
 " sons who abscond themselves," was read a second Time, debated and  
 ordered a third reading.

*The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Eight o'Clock.*

Friday, June 1, 1792.

*The House met.*

Mr. *Linn*, from the Committee to whom was referred, the Petition of  
*John*

*John Dougherty, William Manning and, Ebenezer Ford; and the Petition of John Leghton, and Elizabeth his Wife, late Elizabeth Meeker, Administrators of the Estate of John Meeker, deceased, reported as follows :*

1. That the Claim of *John Dougherty*, is, by Virtue of a Purchase of a Debt, due from the confiscated Estate of *Solomon Cortwright*, to *Daniel Bevier*, of the State of *New-York*, that to allow his Claim, would defeat the Law of this State, respecting Claims of Citizens of that State, against the confiscated Estates in this State ; that therefore his Petition ought to be dismissed.

2. That no sufficient Vouchers have been produced to the Committee, in Support of the Claim of *William Manning*, and *Ebenezer Ford*, therefore their Petition ought to be referred to the next Session.

3. That the Prayer of the Petition of *John Leghton*, and *Elizabeth* his Wife, ought to be granted, so far as to authorize the Treasurer to issue a Certificate to them for the Sum prayed for, upon so much Money being received by the Treasurer of the confiscated Estate of *John Willis*.

By Order of the Committee,

JAMES LINN.

To which the House agreed.

*Resolved*, That the Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed, to endorse Two Year's Interest, on all the Certificates issued by him, by virtue of an Act passed the 29th Day of *May* last, intituled, " An Act for the Relief of *Kenneth Hankinson*, an Inhabitant of the County of *Monmouth*, for the " Loss of certain Depreciation Notes, given by this State," before he delivers them, except One dated *June 26*, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty-one, No. 323, signed by *John Stevens*, Junior, to *Powel Alston*, for the Sum of Sixty Pounds Eight Shillings and Nine-pence.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Imlay* do carry the said Resolution to the Council for Concurrence.

The Bill intituled, " An Act for transferring the Residue of the Estate, " late of *John Richards*, deceased," was read a second Time, debated, and ordered to be engrossed.

The Bill intituled, " An Act for the Relief of *Robert Nixon*, *Richard Hanlon*, and *Barnes I. Smock*," was read a second Time, debated, and ordered to be engrossed.

The Bill intituled, " An Act to enable the Owners and Possessors of the " Meadows adjoining *Stony Brook*, in the Township of *Windsor*, and " Meadows in *Maidenhead* adjacent, to clear out the Logs and Brush in " said Brook, to prevent the Overflowing of the same," was read a second Time, and referred to the next Sitting.

The Bill intituled, " A Supplementary Act to the Act intituled, an Act for " the better enabling of Creditors to recover their just Debts, from Persons " who abscond themselves," was read a third Time :

On the Question, whether the same do pass, it was carried in the Affirmative as follows ;

Yeas,



Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Mr. <i>Anderson</i> ,	Mr. <i>Kingland</i> ,	Mr. <i>Blackwood</i> ,
Mr. <i>Berry</i> ,	Mr. <i>Linn</i> ,	Mr. <i>Burgin</i> ,
Mr. <i>Combs</i> ,	Mr. <i>Little</i> ,	Mr. <i>Fithian</i> ,
Mr. <i>Condict</i> ,	Mr. <i>Lloyd</i> ,	Mr. <i>Sharp</i> ,
Mr. <i>Cooper</i> ,	Mr. <i>Lowrey</i> ,	Mr. <i>Stockton</i> ,
Mr. <i>Dayton</i> ,	Mr. <i>Newbold</i> ,	Mr. <i>E. Townsend</i> ,
Mr. <i>D. Vroom</i> ,	Mr. <i>Sinnickson</i> ,	Mr. <i>R. Townsend</i> ,
Mr. <i>Hankinson</i> ,	Mr. <i>Smith</i> ,	Mr. <i>Van Cleve</i> ,
Mr. <i>Hedden</i> ,	Mr. <i>Starke</i> ,	Mr. <i>Vredenberg</i> ,
Mr. <i>Helmes</i> ,	Mr. <i>Stillwell</i> ,	Mr. <i>Wallace</i> ,
Mr. <i>Imlay</i> ,	Mr. <i>Williamson</i> .	Mr. <i>Whilden</i> .

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Kingland*, do carry the said Bill to Council, and acquaint them that the same is passed by this House without Amendment.

Mr. *Kinsley* from the Council, informed the House that Council had agreed to the Resolution relative to directing the Treasurer to endorse Two Year's Interest on certain Certificates, issued by Virtue of an Act, passed 29th May last, intituled, "An Act for the Relief of *Kenneth Hankinson*, &c." ---he also presented a Bill intituled, "An Act to enable the Board of Justices and Freeholders, in the several Counties of the State, to sue for, and compel all Persons entrusted with public Property, to account for the same," to which he requested the Concurrence of this House.

Mr. *Kinsley* further informed the House, that Council had rejected the Bill intituled, "An Act to preserve Order and Decency, in Places of public Worship."

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill intituled, "An Act directing the Treasurer of this State, to issue Certificates to the Persons therein named," and after having gone through the same,

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be engrossed.

The engrossed Bill intituled, "An Act for transferring the Residue of the Estate, late of *John Richards*, deceased," was read and compared:

*Resolved*, That the same do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Little* do carry the said Bill to the Council for Concurrence.

Mr. *Condict* from the Committee to whom was committed, the Bill intituled, "A Supplement to, an Act to authorize Persons, whose Estates have been confiscated, or their legal Representative, to demand and receive, all Debts or Sums of Money, which are due to this State, in virtue of such Confiscations," reported the same with sundry Amendments, and after some Time spent thereon,

*Ordered*, That the further Consideration thereof be postponed.

The engrossed Bill intituled, "An Act for the Relief of *Robert Nixon*, *Richard Hanlon*, and *Barnes I. Smock*," was read and compared.

On the Question, whether the same do pass, it was carried in the Affirmative as follows;

Yeas,

Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Messrs. Anderson,	Messrs. Sinnickson,	Messrs. Blackwood,
Berry,	Smith,	Condict,
Burgin,	Starke,	Fithian,
Combs,	Stillwell,	Hedden,
Cooper,	Stockton,	Helmes,
Dayton,	Van Cleve,	Linn,
D. Vroom,	Vredenberg,	Lloyd,
Hankinson,	Wallace,	Newbold,
Imlay,	Williamson,	Sharp,
Kingsland,		E. Townsend,
Little,		R. Townsend,
Lowrey,		Whilden.

*Ordered,* That the Speaker do sign the same.

*Ordered,* That Mr. Lowrey do carry the said Bill to Council for Concurrence.

*The House adjourned to Three o'Clock, P. M.*

*The House met.*

Mr. Van Cleve, from the Committee, appointed for that Purpose, presented the Draught of a Bill intituled, "An Act for defraying incidental Charges," which was read and ordered a second Reading.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill intituled, "An Act to repeal an Act, intituled, "an Act for regulating and shortning the Proceedings in the Courts of Law, excepting the first and nineteenth Sections of the said Act," and after some Time spent thereon,

*Ordered,* That the same be referred to the next Sitting.

The Bill intituled, "A Supplement to the Act intituled, an Act for the Relief of insolvent Debtors," was read a second Time, debated, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Ellis from Council, informed the House, that Council had passed the Bill intituled, "An Act for transferring the Residue of the confiscated Estate, late of John Richards," without Amendment.

On Motion,

*Resolved,* That the Treasurer be directed to suspend the Crediting the County of Middlesex, with the Amount of an Order, drawn by the late Treasurer, on the Collector of the said County, in favor of Azariah Dunham, Esquire, until the Books of John Stevens, late Treasurer, can be examined, and the Propriety of giving such Credit be better ascertained; the Resolution of the 23d Day of December, Seventeen Hundred and Eighty-three, notwithstanding.

*Ordered,* That Mr. Sharp do carry the said Resolution to the Council for Concurrence.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate a Part of the Township of Trenton, in the County of Hunterdon," and after some Time spent thereon,

*Ordered,* That the further Consideration thereof be postponed.

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The Bill intitled, “ An Act to enable the Board of Justices and Freeholders in the several Counties of the State, to sue for and compel, all Persons entrusted with public Property, to account for the same,” was read a second Time, debated, and ordered a third Reading.

The engrossed Bill intitled, “ A Supplement to the Act intitled, an Act for the Relief of insolvent Debtors,” was read and compared.

On the Question, whether the same do pass, it was Negatived as follows :

Nays.	Yeas.	Yeas.
Mr. Berry,	Mr. Anderson,	Mr. E. Townsend,
Mr. Blackwood,	Mr. Burgin,	Mr. R. Townsend,
Mr. Condict,	Mr. Combs,	Mr. Van Cleve,
Mr. Fithian,	Mr. Cooper,	Mr. Vredenberg,
Mr. Hankinson,	Mr. Dayton,	Mr. Wallace,
Mr. Kingland,	Mr. D. Vroom,	Mr. Williamson,
Mr. Little,	Mr. Hedden,	
Mr. Newbold,	Mr. Helmes,	
Mr. Sharp,	Mr. Imlay,	
Mr. Sinnickson,	Mr. Lowrey,	
Mr. Stockton,	Mr. Smith,	
Mr. Whilden.	Mr. Starke,	

And there not being Twenty Members in favor of the said Bill, the same was lost.

The Bill intitled, “ An Act to enable the Board of Justices and Freeholders, in the several Counties of the State, to sue for and compel all Persons entrusted with public Property, to account for the same,” was read a third Time.

On the Question, whether the same do pass, it was carried in the Affirmative as follows :

Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Little,	Mr. Berry,
Mr. Blackwood,	Mr. Lowrey,	Mr. Condict,
Mr. Burgin,	Mr. Newbold,	Mr. D. Vroom,
Mr. Combs,	Mr. Sharp,	Mr. Fithian,
Mr. Cooper,	Mr. Sinnickson,	Mr. Lloyd,
Mr. Dayton,	Mr. R. Townsend,	Mr. Smith,
Mr. Hankinson,	Mr. Van Cleve,	Mr. Starke,
Mr. Hedden,	Mr. Vredenberg,	Mr. Stockton,
Mr. Helmes,	Mr. Wallace,	Mr. E. Townsend,
Mr. Imlay,	Mr. Williamson,	
Mr. Kingland,	Mr. Whilden.	

Ordered, That the Speaker do sign the said Bill :

Ordered, That Mr. Sinnickson do carry the said Bill to the Council, and acquaint them that the same is passed by this House without Amendment.

Mr. Cooper, with Leave presented the Draught of a Bill intitled, “ An Act to enable the Owners of Swamp or Meadow Ground, to drain the same, and to repeal a Law heretofore made for that Purpose,” which Bill was read and referred to the next Session.

*The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Five o'Clock.*

**Saturday, June 2, 1792.**

*The House met.*

The Bill intitled, " An Act for defraying Incidental Charges," was read a second Time, debated, and ordered to be engrossed.

*Resolved*, That the Treasurer of this State be, and he is hereby authorized and directed, to deliver unto *Moore Furman*, Esquire, a Certificate or Certificates for the Sum of Two Hundred Pounds, Seventeen Shillings and Eightpence, agreeably to a Resolution of the Legislature, passed the 25th Day of *November*, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty-nine, with Interest from the 14th Day of *September*, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty-seven.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Van Cleve*, do carry the said Resolution to the Council for Concurrence.

*The House adjourned to Nine o'Clock, P. M.*

*The House met.*

The engrossed Bill intitled, " An Act for defraying incidental Charges," was read and compared.

*Resolved*, That the same do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the same,

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Wallace* do carry the said Bill to Council for Concurrence.

Mr. *Hedden*, from the Committee to whom was referred, his Excellency the Governor's Message, of the 17th Instant, together with the Papers accompanying the same, reported as follows ;

That in the Opinion of your Committee, it would be improper for this House, to interfere, or give any Instructions whatever, to the Senators appointed by this State to represent them in the Senate of the *United States*, respecting the Doors being kept open, while sitting in their Legislative Capacity.

Your Committee further report, that in their Opinion, there are several of the Laws of the *United States* that the Citizens of this State ought to be made acquainted with : Therefore your Committee recommend to the House, that the Honorable the Chief Justice, may be appointed to select such of them as he may think proper, and have them annexed to the Laws of this State that may be passed this Sitting of the Legislature.

By Order of the Committee.

ISRAEL HEDDEN.

To which the House agreed.

Whereupon,

*Resolved*, That the Honorable *James Kinsey*, Esquire, Chief Justice, be requested to examine the several Acts and resolutions of Congress, and select



select such of them, as in his Opinion, ought to be communicated to the Officers of this State, and deliver them to the Printer, to be by him annexed to the Acts of the present Sitting of the Legislature.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Stockton* do carry the said Resolution to the Council for Concurrence.

Mr. *Mayhew* from Council, informed the House, that Council had rejected the Bill intituled, “ An Act for the Relief of *Robert Nixon, Richard Hanlon, and Barnes I Smock,*” and the Bill intituled, “ An Act for directing the Treasurer of this State, to issue certain Certificates to the Persons therein named.”

That Council had agreed to the Resolution relative to directing the Treasurer to suspend the Crediting of the County of *Middlesex*, with the Amount of an Order drawn in Favor of *Azariah Dunham, &c.*---and also, to the Resolution relative to directing the Treasurer to deliver unto *Moore Furman*, Esquire, a Certificate or Certificates, for the Sum of £.200 17 8, &c.

Mr. *Lambert* from Council, informed the House, that Council had passed the Bill intituled, “ An Act for defraying incidental Charges,” and that they had agreed to the Resolution requesting the Chief Justice to examine the several Acts and Resolutions of Congress, &c.

The House rose and closed the Session.







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